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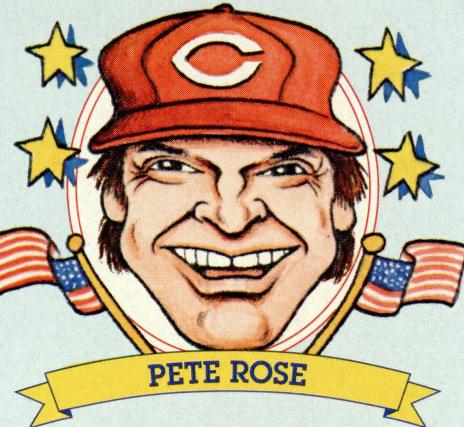
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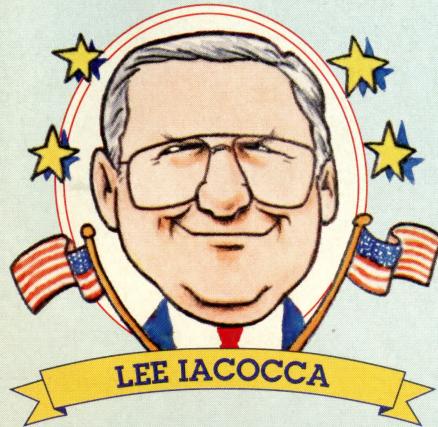
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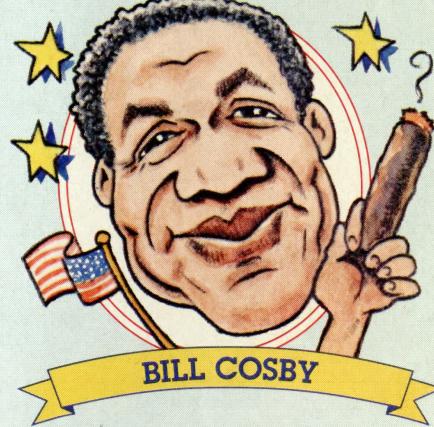
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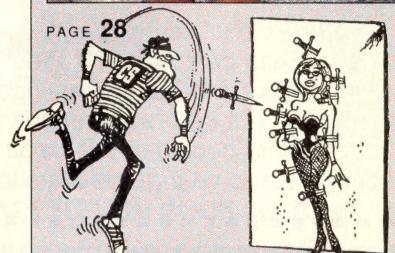
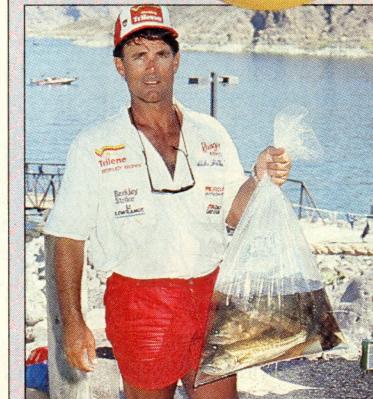
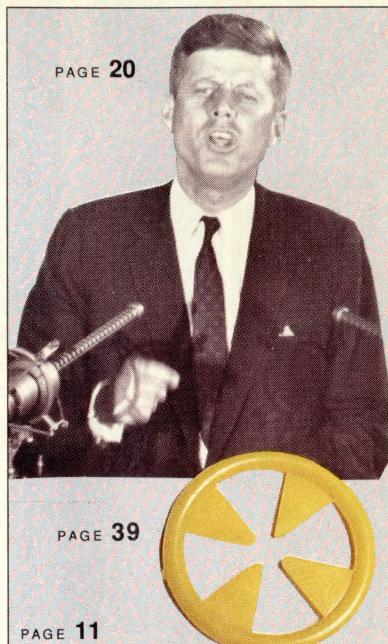
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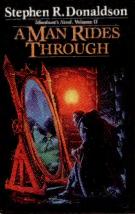
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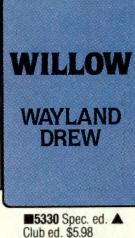
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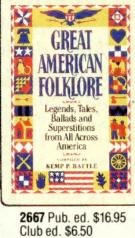
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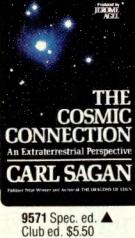
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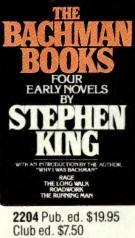
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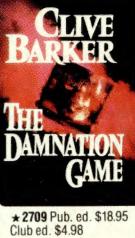
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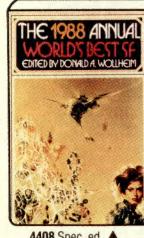
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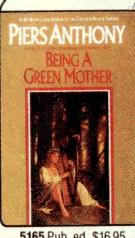
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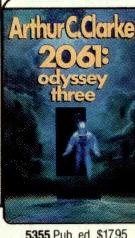
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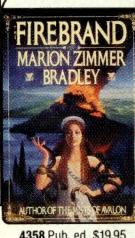
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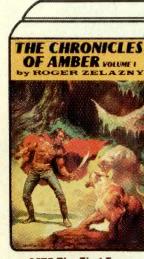
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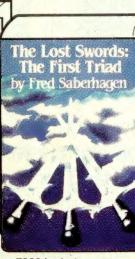
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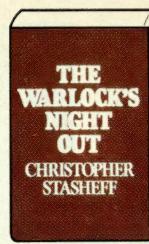
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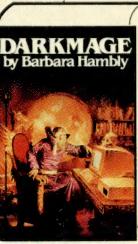
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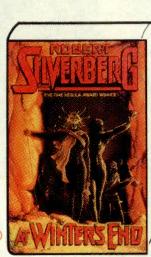
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ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH



Craig Kaplan
DDO, Quebec, Canada

COLORS OF NOTE

I am an avid fan of your publication. I recently received the July issue of GAMES and was unable to think of any song titles containing more than one color (Wild Cards, Two-Tone Tunes, July, page 53). When I asked my stepfather, he quickly replied, "Somewhere over the RAINBOW" and "YELLOW SUBMARINE." Neither of these creative solutions was listed in your answers.

Stacey Sternberg
Manhattan, KS

PICK YOUR FLAVOR

In the "Ice Cream, You Scream" quiz in the July issue, you state that no one knows for sure when or where ice cream originated. Well, I came across an article in my newspaper today, and thought I'd pass it on:

"Ice cream was invented by salt mine workers about 3,000 years ago. Some unknown digger noticed how cold his pick got by continued rubbing against the salt and tried the same thing with a container of milk."

Craig Young
Tustin, CA

INITIAL RESPONSE

I enjoy GAMES Magazine, but I am taken aback at the inclusion of JAP ("A as in Acronym," July, 1988, p. 35) and its answer, "Jewish American Princess," which perpetuates a negative stereotype of Jewish American women. I hope your editorial staff will be more sensitive in the future in screening the choice of words and ideas in an otherwise great magazine.

Sandy Starkman
Highland Park, IL

We're sorry if we offended anyone. Our only reason for using the term was that the puzzle's format required us to include one acronym beginning with each letter of the alphabet, and alternatives for J, such as JATO (jet-assisted takeoff), seemed too obscure.—Ed.

DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

Regarding the "Miscalculation" puzzle in Wild Cards (July, page 54): If Mrs. Chatterton were nearsighted, she would not have made an error and hit the wrong calculator keys. It is farsightedness that causes problems with close vision. As an optometrist, I just couldn't let that one slip by.

Miles Klein
E. Brunswick, NJ

WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

Recently while watching the credits at the end of *The Princess Bride*, I noticed that the film editor was listed as Robert Leighton. My question is, are this Robert Leighton and the Robert Leighton whose Crypto-Funnies and other great puzzles are published regularly in GAMES one and the same? And if so, is he a puzzle-maker moonlighting as a film editor, or vice versa?

Layne Adams
Rockwall, TX

Leighton says he initially saw Rob Reiner's The Princess Bride and sat through the credits thinking how he would have loved being associated with such a film. He was stunned to find that, in fact, he was.—Ed.

LAUNDRY

If a reader finds a significant error of fact or a mistake that affects the play of a game, and we agree the slip needs to be laundered, we'll print the first or best letter and send the writer a GAMES T-shirt.

JULY

We incorrectly identified the author of "Two-Tone Tunes," (Wild Cards, page 53) as George Winthrop. The credit should be given to Raymond Winthrop.—Ed.

I found an error in your "Switch in Time" puzzle (page 38). You call the rifle leaning against the fireplace a Brown Betsy. I think you have confused Daniel Boone's rifle, "Ol' Betsy," with the Brown Bess, the standard British infantry weapon of the day.

Frank Gasperik
Santa Monica, CA

MAY

You need to review your doll family tree. To my recollection, Skipper is Barbie's little sister. In the Ornery Crossword (page 35), 53-Down states that she is only a friend. I played with Barbie dolls for 12 years, so I know them pretty well.

Sandra J. Wilson
Torrance, CA

EVENTS

If you plan to attend any of the following events, write or call to check entry fees, dates, sites, eligibility, etc. Include a SASE with your request. If you know of other events suitable for this column, write to Events, c/o GAMES.

OCTOBER DAY OF THE MONTH: OCTOBER 15

Sesame Street's Oscar The Grouch will be among those honored on "National Grouch Day." The day was created because even gourches deserve a day to be recognized. Though your favorite grouch may grumble about it, do something special for him today. CONTACT: Alan R. Miller, 12281 Alexander St., Clio, MI 48420.

CRIBBAGE Players will be taking one for his nobs, and two for his heels, at the 3rd annual New Hampshire Cribbage Tournament, October 2, at the Holiday Inn, in Nashua, New Hampshire. This ACC-sanctioned tournament has a first prize of \$1,000, and a total prize pool of \$5,500. The entry fee is \$37, includes lunch, and all proceeds go to the Children's Hospital Fund in Boston. CONTACT: Al Miller, 12 Michael Avenue, Nashua, NH 03062, or call (603) 882-7204.

CHILI Tropico Goldmine, in Rosamond, California will be the host to the 22nd annual World's Championship Chili Cookoff, October 23. Competing for \$35,000 in prize money, \$25,000 of which will go to the winner, 76 state and regional cookoff winners will try to wow the Chili Board and the celebrity judges, who include Ernest Borgnine, Peter Marshall, and Robert Mitchum. CONTACT: International Chili Society, P.O. Box 2966, Newport Beach, CA 92663, or call (714) 631-1780.

CROSSWORDS Over 100 cruciverbalists from "across" the country will be heading "down" to Long Island for the 2nd annual Long Island Crossword Open, October 8, in Massapequa, New York. Competitors in Puzzler, Expert, and Grand Master divisions, as well as Senior and Junior age categories will compete for \$1,000 in prize money plus puzzle and reference books. The first place winner will take home \$400. CONTACT: American Crossword Federation, P.O. Box 69, Massapequa Park, NY 11762, or call (516) 795-8823.

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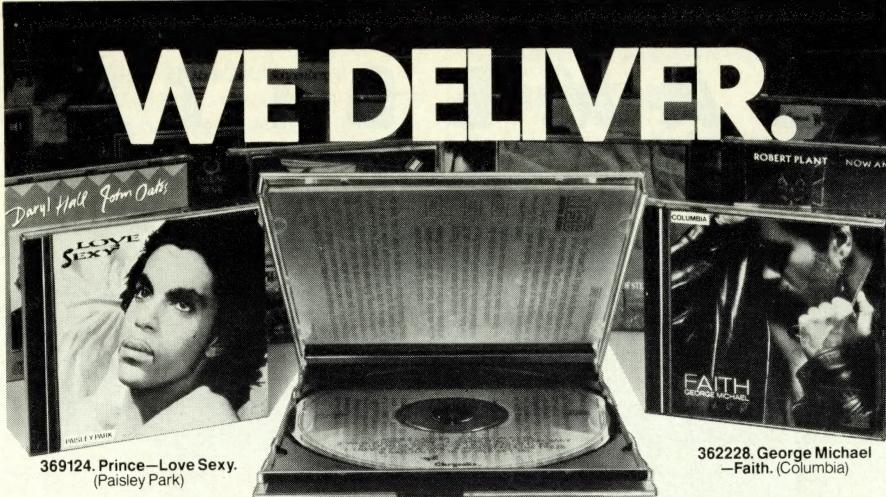
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water so it keeps skipping, you've got to put some spin on it. It's a lot like mastering golf."

In case you were wondering, the current world record for continuous skips in competition is 29, held by Arthur "Babe" Ring, a 73-year-old retired bell captain from San Francisco, who skipped his way to victory at a recent tournament in California. "He

wrested the title from three men who had skipped 24 here," notes Rabe.

This year, the bad news was that the Mackinac winner—28-year-old Detroit area resident Dave Kolar—managed only 23 skips. The good news—for the judges—was that there were only 300 entries. Says Rabe, "They didn't get so tired counting." —Michael Rozek

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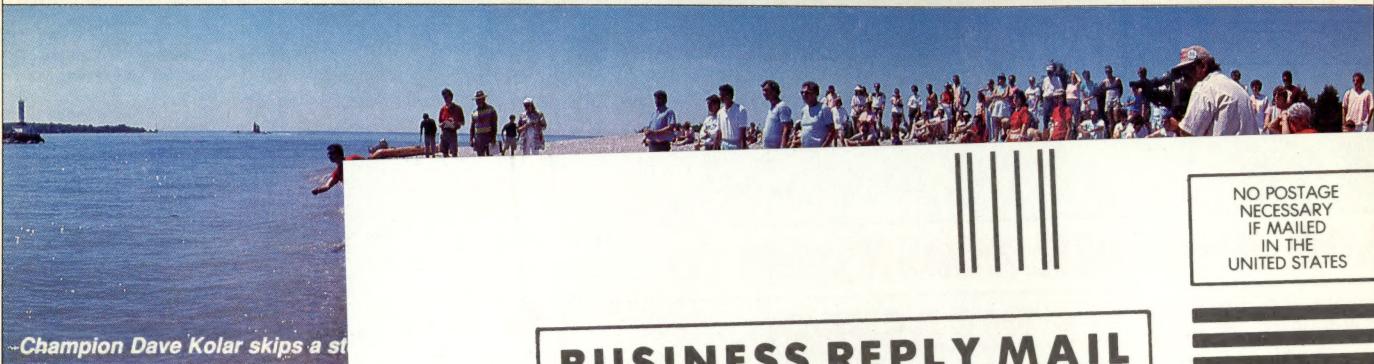
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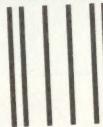
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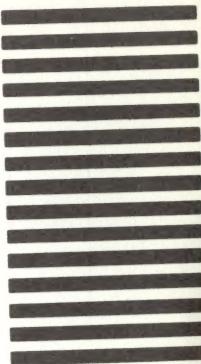
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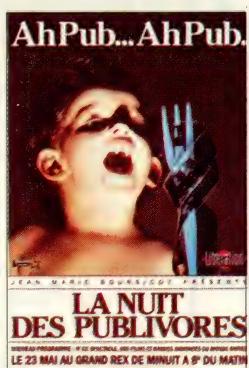
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HOME- WORD BOUND

By Paul Dickson

PHLURGG. It's a word I haven't been able to get out of my head since I first saw it in 1947. It's from a long-gone magazine called 1000 Jokes, which featured a comic almanac containing "Lunar Phases, Weather, Prophecies and Phlurgg." To me phlurgg meant, and still means: "important miscellany; that which is too important to throw away." I continue to use the word (there is a phlurgg pile on my desk, for example), and in my house it's on its way to becoming a family word. These linguistic curiosities are words understood only in a family or in a small circle of friends. Often, they originate with a child or grandparent and sometimes are passed down orally from generation to generation.

From various sources, particularly GAMES readers, who sent more than 800 letters and a wealth of words in response to a previous article of mine on this topic ("All in the Family," June 1986 GAMES), I collected more than 3,000 family words and phrases. The best of them make up my book, *Family Words: The Dictionary For People Who Don't Know a Frone From a Brinkle* (published by Addison-Wesley), from which the following selections are taken.

ACROSTERS Those people who insist on mispronouncing words, e.g., acrost for across and eck setera for et cetera.

AHH-HEES The uncomfortable feeling produced by putting on a bathing suit that is still damp. Says the person who thought it up, "The immediate reaction of the wearer is to shiver and say 'Ahh-hee, ahh-hee.'"

ANILE The state of being elderly and alert, the opposite of senile. A Michigan family created and used the word for a 92-year-old grandfather who never missed a trick.

ARPING The practice of trying to read a record while it is playing.

ATSFICE A second-choice substitute. "This started," says the Delaware woman who reported it, "when my little brother asked for a glass of chocolate milk, which wasn't available. My mother asked, 'How about a glass of milk, will that suffice?' My brother looked doubtful, and asked, 'What's atsfice?'"

BIBBLE Loose sole on a tennis shoe or sneaker, from the sound made by flipping your bottom lip with your finger.

BOW-TIESED "When our two boys were baptised," writes an Indiana woman, "they, for the first time, wore little suits complete with bow ties. When asked by a neighbor where they had been, one replied, 'to be bow-tiesed'. This has come

to be used by our family to describe being formally attired."

CHILD-CHEATER Rubber spatula used to clean the frosting bowl so well that there is none left for the kids to lick.

CHIZZLY A particular kind of day, made by combining the words chilly and drizzly. This blend word is one of many that have followed in the path of smog (smoke + fog).

Others submitted as family blendings: sneet (snow + sleet), smust (smoke + dust), snoud (snow + low-clouds), mugid (muggy + humid), gusterly (gusts + blusterly, for strong, undifferentiated winds), grismal (an awful time: grisly + dismal), drizzable (drizzling + miserable), chippy (chilly + nippy), and blerzo (from below zero).

CHRISTMAS ADAM December 23; the day before Christmas Eve, so called because Adam came before Eve. Created by an opportunistic child looking for a reason to open a gift two days before Christmas.

DADS Any of a rectangular cake's four corners—which, of course, contain more icing. Has been in one family's vocabulary for at least two generations and may have come from a father who preferred corners. Now it is often used as a cry, "Dads!" by a child claiming the corner pieces.

DISGUSTO SLOT A space between kitchen fixtures (such as between a refrigerator and stove) that is too narrow, where utensils fall and succumb to years of grunge.

FARDO The embarrassment you feel for somebody else. "Fardo takes place," says the man who reported it, "when a man drops the end of his tie in the soup at a dinner party and can't figure out how to get it out without dripping soup all over the place."

FOOTSIES Pieces found at the bottom of a box of animal crackers, composed mostly of animal feet.

FROU-FROU The ragged pieces hanging from a page that has been pulled from a spiral-bound notebook. From a man who had a college professor who warned students not to hand in assignments with frou-frou hanging from them.

GAPOSIS Condition describing a blouse one size too small, which puckers when buttoned.

GARCH Taste gland pain from excessive sourness, such as that from a pickle.

GONGER A gift that is too practical (such as an ironing board, car jack, or coat hangers). A woman from Washington state explains its origin: "My sister-in-law's family had an Aunt Gonger whose husband always gave her one of these gifts on all occasions, even Valentine's Day."

GRIEFCASE Child's name for the briefcase in which his father, a professor, brought home his bluebooks for grading. The boy is now a lawyer and has a grief-case of his own.

HOBBIEHIE Person whose gender is not apparent at first glance. Invented by kids during a car game in which they would bet on whether they would pass more men or women on a long driving trip. One kid kept score while the other yelled man, woman, or, when in doubt, hobbiehie.

HOOJACKAPIVVY A family term for any object, such as a whatchamacallit, whose name did not come readily to mind. There are many other such names, including the imposing *klappestranger*.

HOOP The act of bending down over a glass of milk or other beverage that is filled to the brim and slurping up enough liquid so that the glass may be picked up

without spilling; from the sound made while doing so.

JUVEMBER An unspecified, far-off date, usually stated as "next Juvember." Juvember is to months what umpteen and umpteen-ump are to numbers.

LURKIN' A single sock, so called because you know that its mate is lurkin' around somewhere.

MURPHETIC That which conforms to Murphy's law. For instance, choosing a shopping cart with a stuck fourth wheel is murphetic.

MUSGOS Leftovers and other food that "must go." Reported by many families. Sometimes *mustgos*, *mustgoes*, or *muskos*. Such a purging of leftovers seems to be a common event in American households. *Geriddas* is a dish of leftovers in one family. *Take-no-prisoners night* is a time for using leftovers and throwing away others.

99 Grandmother, from the fact that when the phone rings, 99 percent of the time she's calling.

ON THE ARROW Needing a haircut. Similarly, to have gotten a haircut is to be off the arrow. One woman picked it up from her father, and later found out that the phrase was a reference to the collars of Arrow shirts.

PEJORKY That state of a person who has gone to bed with wet hair and wakes to find it sticking out in all directions.

PHILUG Pocket lint and/or belly button lint. In other families it is known as *nuf-nuf*, *smngus*, *phnur*, *neidmildorf*, and *meh-meh*, which you say through your nose.

POPPY PAPER The plastic "bubble pack" packaging sheets with little plastic bubbles, which are hard to resist popping.

PUCKLES Indentation marks left on

the skin by an elastic waistband.

SCHNIPPLES Beyond any question, this word and its variations were reported more often than any other word. A Texas woman has written what amounts to a general definition: "Schnipples are those little things that get all over the carpeting and can't be vacuumed up easily, but have to be picked up by hand and put in the trash. Schnipple-promoting activities include kids using scissors on anything, repairing a small appliance at the dining room table, folding laundry, sewing, cleaning out a drawer, and eating popcorn."

SHERIFF'S BADGE A gift for someone else that you really want for yourself. "My older brother inadvertently brought this into use when he was five years old," writes a Canadian man. "He bought my Dad a Father's Day gift that consisted of a cap pistol, whistle, and sheriff's badge because he just knew how much Dad would enjoy them."

SNOAST A mound or pocket of snow that persists into summer. Appropriately, from an Alaskan.

SPECDENTS The marks on the upper bridge of the nose caused by eyeglasses.

TURKEY LETTER Any letter that is too wordy or too long. This came from a young bride who wrote to her mother in a distant state, asking for a recipe for a traditional holiday meal. Her mother was careful not to omit the smallest detail, and replied with hand-written directions on bird selection, stuffing, and roasting, all of which covered 20 pages.

ZSAJ To spiff up, in the manner of Zsa Zsa Gabor. From a woman whose physician husband wants to be dressed in red and blue and black and white, and no patterns. "Every once in a while I try to zsa him up."

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Hook, Line, and Thinker



Professional bass fishing pays big money prizes.

But for anglers, the real lure is the sport's surprisingly complex strategy.

BY MICHAEL ROZEK

It's 5 a.m. on a hazy June morning in the Nevada desert, and the temperature is already in the nineties. Here in Las Vegas, most visitors have bet themselves to sleep. But easing out of the parking lot of the Dunes Hotel, two San Diegans, 30-year-old Bill Schaefer and 39-year-old Wally Augst, are just starting the day—and both have the gambling bug.





At sunrise on the first day of competition, the national anthem is played, then boats are checked for hidden bass before they head out.

But the two men are driving away from Lost Wages's bright lights. In Augst's van, which pulls his 18-foot-long boat on a trailer, they're heading to Lake Mead, the huge reservoir formed by the Hoover Dam, just south of the city. Today, they, along with some 70 other hopefuls, will try for a share of the \$10,000 in prize money in a bass-fishing tournament organized and sanctioned by U.S. Bass, one of the country's two biggest professional organizations for the sport.

In the front seat, gulping coffee, the men are scheming strategy. "I ocean fish near my home," explains Schaefer, whose everyday job is managing a fishing gear repair shop, "but bass fishing is a lot more challenging. Bass give you so much more to worry about. They're tricky to find. You have to present your bait to them just the right way. The water is also a factor in finding them: the level, color, clarity, and even, in the South, the Ph."

"I'm glad we've got some cloud cover this morning," chimes in Augst, a self-employed civil engineering consultant. "When there's a lot of direct sunlight, it's easy to see what's going on under the surface of the water. A bass will get into rocks or any other cover where you can't get to him—like he knows you can see him, and he doesn't want to be seen."

Augst and Schaefer are good friends; they regularly travel together to tournaments to split driving chores and some expenses. Yet, like all pro bass fishermen, they compete individually toward the real goal of tournament fishing: to catch, during a given time period (usually eight hours a day for two days), a specified number of bass (usually five

per day) that, when weighed together, total more than that of any other entrant's catch.

Thinking about the nature of the upcoming competition, they begin to grow quietly intense as they near the lake. "I've fished since 1976, and I call bass fishing my 'other job,'" says Augst, when asked about his game face. "Last year, I won \$40,000."

Then it's the prize money that makes angling for bass serious stuff? "No," opines Augst. "A minority of guys who fish full time win enough to make a good living. [By one count there are only about 300 full-time pro bass fishermen—most of whom also supplement their income by other fishing-related activities, like guiding.] But most of us have other jobs, and don't do it for money. The other years, I've only made about \$10,000—and my expenses are at least that much." In fact, say Augst and Schaefer, what allows them and other pros to keep competing is their "en-

dorsement" of various fishing products. Their equipment and clothing are covered with decals and patches advertising brands like Triolene line, Western Plastics artificial worms, Skeeter boats, and Daiwa rods, in return for free rods, lines and lures.

Still, why spend money, not to mention weekends away from families and girlfriends, to fish? "This is my first year doing this," says Schaefer, "and I guess I wanted to fish against the 250 guys on the tour, some of the best bass fishermen in the world."

Augst, a veteran, takes another view: "Bass fishing consumes you," he says, in the voice of someone announcing a deeply personal truth. "There are some of us who would get a divorce sooner than give up the tour. But I don't think we're any more obsessed with our sport than, say, Isiah Thomas is with basketball. And like athletes, we love the thrill of organized competition."

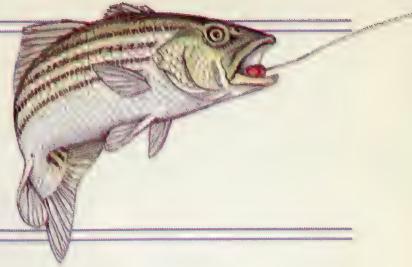
"For me, though, the big obsession isn't fishing against the other guys. It's in fishing against the bass. I try to out-think him—to understand where he's going to go and when, and develop strategies for that. You can't throw out a hook anywhere and expect to reel one in. You've got to have a plan to conquer him."

These days, the lure of that gamesmanship—plus prize money provided by entry fees and sponsors—is hooking lots of other anglers. The Southern U.S.-based Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (BASS), credited with starting pro bass fishing 21 years ago, offers more than \$2 million in prize money to entrants in its scores of tournaments annually. And U.S. Bass, now in its 14th year of operation, receives over 65,000 paid entries each year for its many events, held in

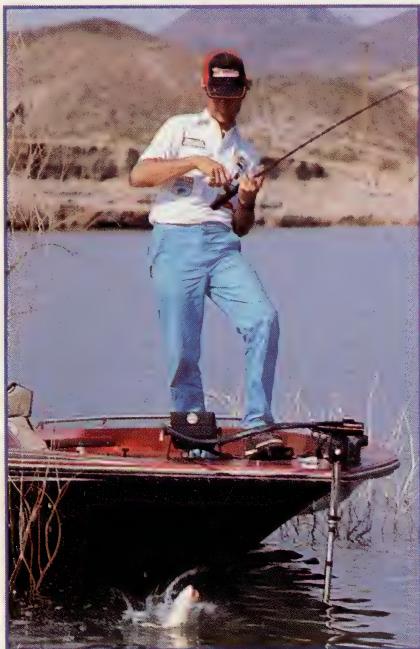


Two fishermen cast their lines, hoping to get a bass to nibble.

Don Doty estimates that nearly 150,000 people fish in hundreds of tourneys. He even dreams of a competitive bass-fishing Super Bowl.



the West, South, Midwest, and East—and gives out over \$4.5 million in cash and merchandise as prizes. Bass N'Gal, an Alabama-based pro tournament organization for bass fisherwomen founded 11 years ago, boasts some 20,000 dues-paying members, and this year is sponsoring five tournaments with a combined \$257,000 in purses. Throw in several small tournament groups, plus



Fishermen Gary Klein (above) and Larry Hopper (right), the winner of the 1987 U.S. Bass U.S. Open Championship, are rewarded for a day in the hot sun with a catch.

competitions run by local fishing clubs nationwide, and U.S. Bass President Don Doty estimates that nearly 150,000 people fish in hundreds of tourneys each year. "Those numbers will only go up," he adds. "In the U.S., 60 million people have fishing licenses, and half fish recreationally for bass." Doty says he even dreams of a competitive bass fishing Super Bowl—a televised competition between the anglers of BASS and U.S. Bass.

It may still be hard to understand why bass fishing is so compelling (visualizing a typical bass—a silvery-greenish, foot-long, two-to-four pound fish—won't help). But spend a day fishing with a top

tour fisherman, like angler Mike Folkestad, and one becomes a believer. Stalking the bass is a test of mind, nerve, and skill, like playing chess on a lake.

For example, at the Nevada event Schaefer and Augst are entering, 47-year-old Folkestad, an electrical contractor from Orange County, California, is considered one of the favorites; he's won a tournament at this site, four other championships, and more than \$300,000 in prize money on the U.S. Bass tour since its inception. Yet two days before the competition at Lake Mead, he's on the water "pre-fishing": taking advantage of a tournament rule allowing entrants to research a lake before the competition begins to find out where the bass are.

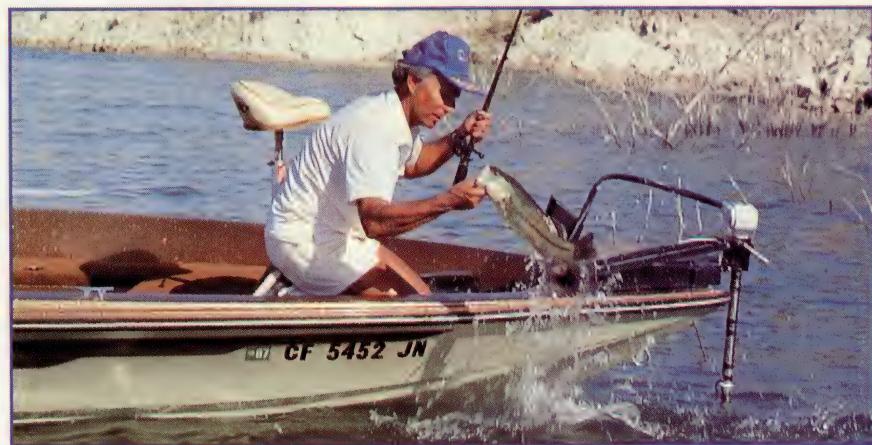
When Folkestad pulls up in his 19-foot Ranger 390 high performance bass boat (built for speed, so he can cover ground during a time-limited tourney), and boards a visitor coming along for part of the day, he's all business. A moment later, his baseball-type fishing cap down near his taut, intent eyes, he guns the craft's Mercury motor, and the

"See that?" he asks again. "That was a little bluegill. It means bass are here. Bass eat bluegill."

But as the next six hours show, there's a lot more involved in locating his elusive prey. "You think to bass fish," Folkestad stresses. "So you read what scientists say about bass. Research shows they're secure in deeper water. But what'll get them out of deeper water is the need to feed. And when they want to feed, they'll seek some structure—a shelf of rocks, or brush, like what's here, near deep water." (How do anglers spot such signs? Beyond sight, bass pros use electronic graph finders, whose color screens not only disclose a lake's topography, but also the movements of fish.)

Suddenly, Folkestad gets a bigger bite. "Bass," he notes. "Yup. They're feeding here."

He doesn't set his hook and reel in the fish, however. "I don't need to catch any today," he says. "If I leave him alone, he may be there tomorrow, when I need him." Instead, he pulls in his line and removes its lure—a plastic worm, since live bait isn't allowed in tournaments



boat roars off at 60 miles an hour. "Gotta make time," he mutters dourly. "Got a lot of lake to check out today." Then, after the boat has sped along for a few miles, he slows it and notes, more gently, "See all this flat water covered with brush? I want to finish fishing here because I got some bites when I tried it yesterday." He throws his line in the water, and it jerks almost immediately.

because it would make the fishing too easy.

"I want to see what else'll draw a bite," he says, rummaging in his tackle box, which holds lures of an astonishing variety of colors and sizes. "A few minutes ago I saw some shad, a fish bass eat, around here. So I'm going to try a lure that looks like shad and see the response I get." (Where were the shad? Folkestad

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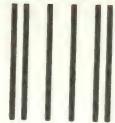
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Isn't luck involved in pro bass fishing? "I don't think luck is a factor," says Folkestad. "Skill and strategy are what win for you."

says later, "You can't miss anything. You're always looking for clues."

Lure choice is governed by many variables, says Folkestad: "Some are designed to fish in the top part of the water, some are made to be cast into



Mike Folkestad brings in his catch of the day, still alive.

brush and not get tangled; and others are weighted to go deeper. Also, they're all crafted to look like live bait to the fish, depending on their motion. Some have tight wiggles, some have wide wiggles." But wiggles alone won't make a fish salivate. "That's where the sky comes in," he says. "If it's cloudy and the sun isn't penetrating the water as much, certain colored lures look more realistic to a bass." Folkestad uses a small device called a color selector, which indicates what color lure to use in what light. And finally, before putting a lure in the water, he sprays it with a chemical designed to cover up the odor of his hands. "Bass don't like your smell all over their food."

Once he's picked his lure, Folkestad's decision-making isn't over: He has to decide on which of his 10 rods, each outfitted with a different grade of fishing line, to fasten it to. Momentarily, he looks at the water and ponders. "Different rods are used for different jobs," he explains a few seconds later. "For ex-

ample, some rods are built to cast a lighter lure and produce a slower movement on that lure. Other times, I'll want to use a rod that can cast for distance. The same goes for fishing line. I may use a light, fine line in clear water, so it's invisible to the fish; or a stronger line in brush to pull clear of snags."

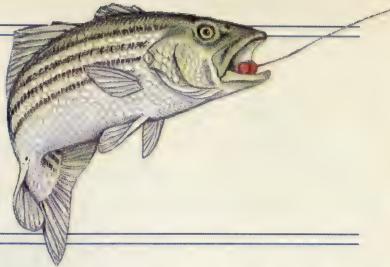
All these choices eventually establish what bass fishermen call "patterns": two or three clear game plans, each revolving around a type of topography and water depth that they can count on for success in a tournament. "On a pre-fish day," explains Folkestad, "I'll have 10 rods in my boat and a lot of different ideas about fishing this lake. Tomorrow, in competition, I'll have four rods, all rigged up—and maybe four plans. You can't waste time in competition looking for fish—you have to already know where they are, and spend your time catching them."

For the rest of his day, Folkestad continues his detective work, seemingly combing every one of the lake's 163,000 acres. He responds to superficial clues of a fish's presence, like a bass-eating cormorant on a ledge. ("Bass here," he mutters, zooming over and casting out his line immediately; a moment later, he has one hooked.) He stares for minutes at rock formations lining the lake, visualizes what their underwater strata look like, and wonders if they might be appealing to a fish. He thinks about the spawning habits of bass, too. "They generally stopped spawning in May here," he allows, "but there may still be some going on near the shore, because I'm getting bites closer in. Bass bite when they're spawning. Tomorrow, that'll keep me fishing some shoreline."

It doesn't even matter to Folkestad that the clouds have burned off and the temperature is over 100 degrees. When he's too hot, he just jumps in the lake for a brief swim, then gets out and starts fishing again.

"You don't become a good fisherman by being lazy," he sums up. That day, he pre-fishes for over eight hours.

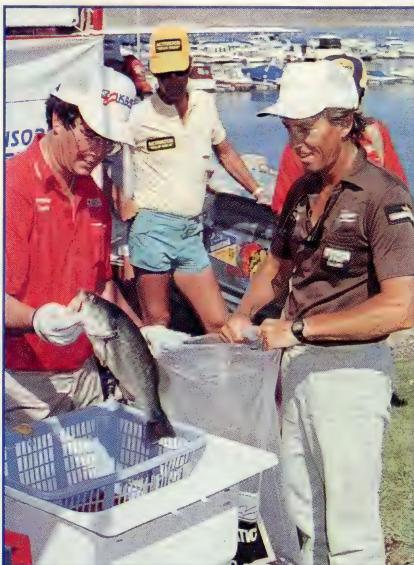
Two days later, the tournament is almost over. Anglers are bringing their boats up to one of Lake Mead's beaches,



and walking onshore for the weigh-in with their catch in plastic bags containing water. They've kept the fish alive all day in water-filled tanks (called "live wells") on their boats, and are careful to sustain them: A dead fish is a lost fish. Also, in the interests of conservation, the bass are returned to the lake soon after weighing.

Mike Folkestad doesn't win, however—his two-day weight of 10 bass ranks ninth in a field of 72. Wally Augst comes in 13th. And Bill Schaefer—somewhat sheepishly—ends up 67th. The winner of the \$4,000 first prize is Gary Yamamoto, whose 10 fish weigh a total of 22.18 pounds.

Folkestad is asked an obvious question: Isn't there luck involved in pro bass fishing? After all, he worked just as hard as anyone else at trying to catch



The weigh-in determines who has the heaviest 10 bass.

fish; maybe this weekend wasn't his weekend...right? "No," he says firmly, as if stating an immutable law. "I don't think luck is a factor. Skill and strategy are what win for you."

And with that, he shrugs and heads up the hill for a six-hour drive home. Mike Folkestad's next tournament is in two weeks. The bass will be waiting. And, maybe, laughing.

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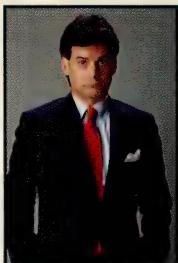
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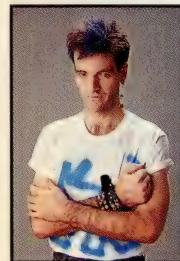
▼ **NANCY McTRENDY** is queen of the art world. Her Soho gallery brings in millions of dollars, and its recent show, "Postmodern Deconstructivist Neo-Expressionism," was a huge media event. To celebrate—and gloat—McTrendy has invited several guests for dinner at her art-laden East Side townhouse. Ushering them into her bedroom, McTrendy proudly unveils her newest acquisition: a \$1,500,000 diamond brooch. The glittering bauble acts like a magnet to the eyes of her brooding guests.



▼ **Roland de La Gare** is the rival gallery owner who unhappy considers how McTrendy has lured away some of his top artists, including Keith Herringbone and Alain Schnapps, who specializes in photographing his cat in provocative poses: "My stable of artists is becoming as bare as my bank account. Sales are so bad I had to borrow money from some unsavory individuals just to pay next month's rent. If I don't repay them they'll break my extremities. And I value my extremities!"



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▲ Graffiti artist **KEITH HERRING-BONE** achieved fame when McTrendy exhibited in her gallery an entire subway car covered with his graffiti. But Herringbone isn't happy: "I'm sure the gallery is shafting me on its commission take. I should be rolling in dough, but I have to go to her for cash every time I need spray paint. It's humiliating."



▲ **WEST HOUSTON**, the new-wave artist, creates works of art from trash that she finds on the street. However, she feels that McTrendy is dumping on her: "Herringbone gets all the gallery space, all the publicity, all the money. I should work in Europe, where rubbish has that Old World charm. But I can't afford to move there."

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▲ A few minutes later, a shrill scream rings through the halls. When the four guests arrive in McTrendy's bedroom, they find Swarthmore lying on the floor and McTrendy frantic. "I was in the bathroom when I heard a crash. I came running, of course, but it was too late. My brooch is gone."

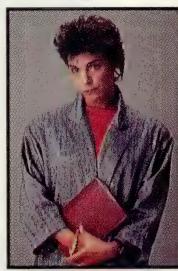
They gather around Swarthmore, who is opening her eyes. "My brooch," yells McTrendy. "What happened?"

"I was putting the jewelry back in its box. I didn't hear or see anything. Next thing I knew, someone hit me from behind. Then I woke up. That's all I remember."

► McTrendy grows hysterical: "I haven't had time to insure the brooch." In a frenzy, she accuses her guests, one by one, of stealing it. Finally, she calls the police.

Before the police arrive, can you guess who stole the diamond brooch and where it is?

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▲ McTrendy turns to her assistant, **JESSICA SWARTHMORE**, and says, "Please put back my brooch and carefully return my jewelry to the box." Jessica seethes: "I have a Ph.D. in art history and she treats me like a maid. And she pays such coolie wages that I won't be able to buy my apartment when it goes co-op."

"Now," continues McTrendy, addressing her guests, "I'm going to relax before dinner. Please feel free to wander through the house and admire my collection."



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1 There was no doubt about the outcome of our first presidential election—the vote was unanimous. But after Washington, no president came close to garnering every vote of the electoral college—except this candidate. Only one member of the electoral college didn't cast a vote for him, reportedly because that elector wanted Washington to retain the honor of a unanimous decision. Name the candidate.

- a) James Monroe
- b) Franklin D. Roosevelt
- c) Thomas Jefferson
- d) James Madison



2 In winning a Texas Democratic primary race for the Senate, Lyndon Johnson earned the nickname "Landslide Lyndon" because:

- a) No one dared oppose him.
- b) A recount was ordered in one county and suddenly 202 ballots appeared, all in alphabetical order and in the same handwriting and the same ink. The extra votes put LBJ over the top.
- c) A landslide occurred while Johnson was giving a speech at the foot of a mesa and he was almost inundated with dirt.
- d) He carried one county unanimously because his opponent's ballots were mysteriously lost.



3 When Kennedy and Nixon campaigned for the Presidency in 1960, why did they ignore the voters in Washington, D.C.?

- a) They couldn't vote.
- b) It was illegal to campaign within three miles of the Capitol.
- c) The city's streets were considered too unsafe for personal appearances.
- d) The vote had already been bought by JFK's father.

4 Why didn't Zachary Taylor know he'd been nominated for President?

- a) The letter with the news came postage due and he sent it to the dead letter office.
- b) He was off fighting Santa Anna in Mexico.
- c) Taylor was at an Indian post in the West and the messenger was captured by renegades.
- d) The convention manager forgot to send Taylor the notification.

5 The first female candidate for president was Victoria Woodhull, who believed in free love. Why did candidate Woodhull find herself in jail on election day, 1872?

- a) A New York judge ruled that because it was illegal for women to vote, it was also illegal for them to run for office.
- b) She was charged with sending pornographic materials—a newspaper article alleging that a famous preacher was having an affair with one of his parishioners—through the mail.
- c) She had campaigned in the nude and was arrested for indecent exposure.
- d) Word got out that she was living with both her husband and her former husband and she was charged with unlawful co-habitation.



6 WHISTLE STOP I Match the campaign quotes (1-5) to the candidates (a-e) who uttered them.

1. "We are not going to send American boys nine or ten thousand miles away from home to fight."
2. "I am not available for and could not accept nomination

8 & RUNNING

ECTION YEAR QUIZ • BY JOHN AND CLAIRE WHITCOMB

to high political office The necessary and wise subordination of the military to civil power will be best sustained . . . when lifelong professional soldiers . . . abstain from seeking high political office."

3. "I have said this before but I shall say it again and again and again. Your boys are not going to be sent into any foreign wars."
4. "I never give them hell, I just tell the truth and they think it's hell."
5. "If you don't say anything, you won't be called on to repeat it."

a) Dwight D. Eisenhower
b) Franklin D. Roosevelt
c) Calvin Coolidge
d) Harry S. Truman
e) Lyndon B. Johnson



7 When George Washington ran for the Virginia House of Burgesses in 1758, he saw to it that:

- a) The voters received rum, beer, and cider on election day.
- b) "I cannot tell a lie" posters were distributed everywhere.
- c) Martha invited his supporters back to Mount Vernon for a party.
- d) Soldiers who served with him helped get out the vote.

8 In 1848, James K. Polk was elected President. Why was this election unique in U. S. history?

- a) There was no smoking in the party caucus room, in deference to Polk's wife, who was also opposed to drinking and dancing.
- b) Voting machines were installed for the first time, but a majority of citizens refused to use them, fearing they were rigged.
- c) All white male citizens were finally allowed to vote regardless of whether or not they owned property.
- d) It was the first time voting took place on the same day in all states.

9 Governor Horatio Seymour of New York was hustled out of the 1868 Democratic Convention sobbing and calling to a friend, "Pity me, Harvey, pity me!" What had just happened?

- a) He had just lost the nomination.
- b) He had just won the nomination.
- c) He had been found in a hotel room with Harvey's wife.
- d) He had disgraced himself by giving a drunken, maudlin speech.

10 James A. Garfield was elected President in 1880. At the Republican Convention that nominated him, why was he ruled out of order and led from the stage?

- a) His backers were worried that he looked shabby and wanted to keep him out of sight until a more fashionable suit could arrive.
- b) He wanted to make a speech but it was two in the morning

and the delegates needed some sleep.

- c) He tried to protest that he was not a candidate.
- d) An anarchist was shooting at him.

11 At the 1968 Democratic Convention, Julian Bond, a black from Georgia, received 48½ votes. Why, then, did he withdraw from the running?

- a) There was too great a risk of an assassination.
- b) Georgia claimed he wasn't a registered voter.
- c) Chicago's Mayor Daley convinced him his nomination would split the party.
- d) He was only 28 years old and presidents must be at least 35 years old.



12 When Nixon campaigned for President, he cited his eight years as Eisenhower's VP as one of his qualifications. When asked to give an example of a major idea of Nixon's adopted by his administration, what did Ike reply?

- a) "If you give me a week, I might think of one."
- b) "That Presidents and VP's should drive in bullet-proof cars."
- c) "I didn't see Nixon much during that time."
- d) "He had so many ideas I couldn't enunciate all of them."

OFF & RUNNING



13 WHISTLE STOP II

Match the campaign quotes (1-5) to the candidates (a-e) who uttered them.

1. "There is no Soviet domination of Eastern Europe."
2. "You know the kids love the dog, and I just want to say this right now, regardless of what they say about it, I'm gonna keep it."
3. "My hat is in the ring. The fight is on and I am stripped to the buff."
4. "I don't know anything about free silver. The people of Nebraska are for free silver, and I am for free silver. I will look up the arguments later."
5. "Politics is just like show business. You have a hell of an opening, you coast for a while, you have a hell of a closing."

a) Theodore Roosevelt
 b) Ronald Reagan
 c) William Jennings Bryan
 d) Richard Nixon
 e) Gerald Ford

14 Of FDR's four opponents,

the one who gave him the greatest challenge was Wendell Willkie in 1940. But why did Willkie run into trouble in a campaign speech at the Western Electric plant in Cicero, Illinois?

- a) The workers thought he was anti-labor and short-circuited the lights and the public address system.
- b) He opened his speech with the bloopoer, "Now that we are in Chicago..."
- c) He had been under medication and the crowd thought he was drunk.
- d) He couldn't stop hiccupping.

15 Van Buren's Vice-President, Richard Johnson, was a master at campaign theatrics. He wore a red jacket he claimed to have taken from the Indian Chief Tecumseh after killing him, and exhibited his battle scars. Despite this, the Democrats refused to nominate him for a second term as vice-president. Why?

- a) A newspaper revealed that the red jacket was newly made by a Philadelphia tailor.
- b) Indians protested that his campaign speeches degraded them.
- c) Tecumseh's warriors threatened revenge on all frontier Democrats.
- d) Johnson was openly living with his mulatto slave mistress.

16 In 1952, Senator Estes Kefauver was the leading Democratic primary winner, thanks in no small part to his dogged campaigning in small towns. But he had a problem in the New Hampshire race when, one day, he approached a sidewalk group, stuck out his hand, and said, "I'm Estes Kefauver. I'm running for President—how'm I doing here?" What was the answer?

- a) "You're doing fine here, but you'd better get back across the line to New Hampshire—this is Vermont."
- b) "I hate to tell you this, Mister, but your zipper's open."
- c) "It's illegal to campaign here on Sunday."
- d) "Estes Kefauver? I thought they cured that."

17 Warren G. Harding won the Presidency in 1920 despite admitting that he tended to bloat. What did he do?

- a) He belched uncontrollably after dinner.
- b) He made wordy speeches that sounded good but said nothing.
- c) He made unmentionable faux pas in mixed company.
- d) He day-dreamed during meetings and forgot topics.

18 When Grant was running for president, he developed a standard campaign speech. What was it?

- a) "I rise only to tell you that I do not intend to say anything."
- b) "Let the surrender at Appomattox Court House tell you everything."
- c) "George Washington never campaigned for president. Neither will I."
- d) "Let's drink to victory."



19 Why, in 1912, when running for his third term, did Teddy Roosevelt speak softly while delivering a campaign speech?

- a) He was carrying a big stick.
- b) A would-be assassin had fired a bullet into his chest.
- c) He was addressing a convention of deaf people.
- d) He developed laryngitis from shouting "Bully."

20 Why did James Buchanan, our only bachelor President, run into trouble on the campaign trail?

- a) Questions were raised about his morals because he shared rooms with several different women during his campaign.
- b) His oddly tilted neck led to gossip that he'd tried to hang himself when jilted by his fiance.
- c) His mother travelled everywhere with him and reportedly wrote his speeches.
- d) An illegitimate son prompted taunts of "Ma, Ma, Where's my Pa? Gone to the White House, Ha, Ha, Ha."

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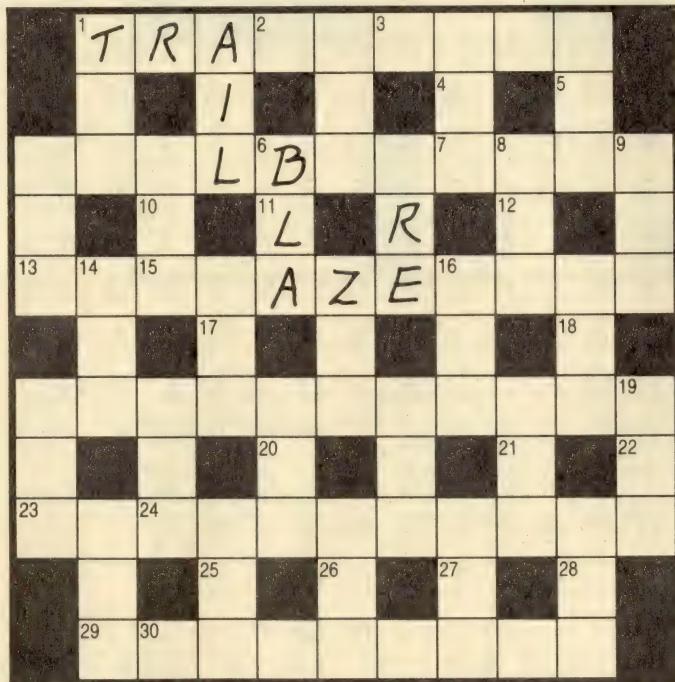


PATHFINDER ★★

BY SCOTT MARLEY

You'll need some straight thinking to work your way through this twisty crossword. Every answer makes one or more right-angle turns through the grid, beginning at the appropriately numbered square and proceeding in a path for you to determine. The letter after the clue number indicates the answer's

starting direction—north, south, east, or west. The number in parentheses after the clue indicates the length of the answer. It will help you to know that each letter in the completed grid will appear in exactly two words—no more, no less. The first answer has been filled in as an example. **ANSWER, PAGE 60**



CLUES

1E Pathfinder (11)
2W Political faction (5)
3W Say "cheese" (5)
4N Take the peel off (4)
5S Trendy shop (8)
6E Goodyear trademark (5)
7N Baden-Baden and Saratoga Springs (4)
8W Computer operator (4)
9W On the wagon (5)
10N Top 40 tunes (4)
11S Legal action (7)
12S Central or Mountain (4, 4)
13N Having a piquant taste (5)
14S Actor Arnaz (4)
15W Cutting tool (4)
16S In handcuffs (8)
17N African language (7)
18S West Point student (5)
19S Gray-green evergreen shrub (7)
19W Oceanographer Cousteau (7)
20S "Three little words" (1, 4, 3)
21N Poet Millay (4)
22S Bring together (5)
23N Bible passage (5)
24E Spock's portrayer (5)
25N Environment (6)
26N Mount St. Helens, for one (7)
27S Sufficiently cooked (4)
28S Evita's married name (5)
29N Make block letters (5)
30W Not downstream (7)

HOLY TOLEDO! *

BY EDITH RUDY

A Buckeye Word Search

Not only Toledo, but 25 other Ohio cities whose names begin with all the letters from A to Z are included in the word search below. As usual, answers may read in any direction—hor-

zontally, vertically, or diagonally, but always in a straight line. Can you find your way through the whole state?

ANSWER, PAGE 60

ESLYIEI
METBMUNY
FNRHICDEOZK
REHGLEAAUTEMEENINOO
OENUTIPNIVNETWRVYMT
CRWOUDECLIHGPTNINFLE
KGOLRSNHAIOHRSOERTMIO
YGTLVSDHDAIKSTERSYMS
RNEIPEEANLDRREOTICA
IILWARNEABEAEIEWNHH
VLDGBOCDVFRYDNONIG
EWWDNDLEIFRIAFTTWHUE
ROIBALNEKSOAFROTHQ
EBMOPHJIOBLYHTANER
MANHMEODELOTNLVGI
LLIHTUOMSTROPAE
AITANNICNICKE
DLEIFGNIRPS
DITUHORU
NDY

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|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| AKRON | | ROCKY RIVER |
| BOWLING GREEN | JEFFERSONVILLE | SPRINGFIELD |
| CINCINNATI | KETTERING | TOLEDO |
| DAYTON | LIMA | UNIONTOWN |
| EUCLID | MIDDLETOWN | VANDALIA |
| FAIRFIELD | NEW PHILADELPHIA | WILLOUGHBY |
| GARFIELD HEIGHTS | OLMSTED FALLS | XENIA |
| HAMILTON | PORTSMOUTH | YOUNGSTOWN |
| INDEPENDENCE | QUINCY | ZANESVILLE |

WIN OR LOSE *

BY SANDRA SILBERMINTZ

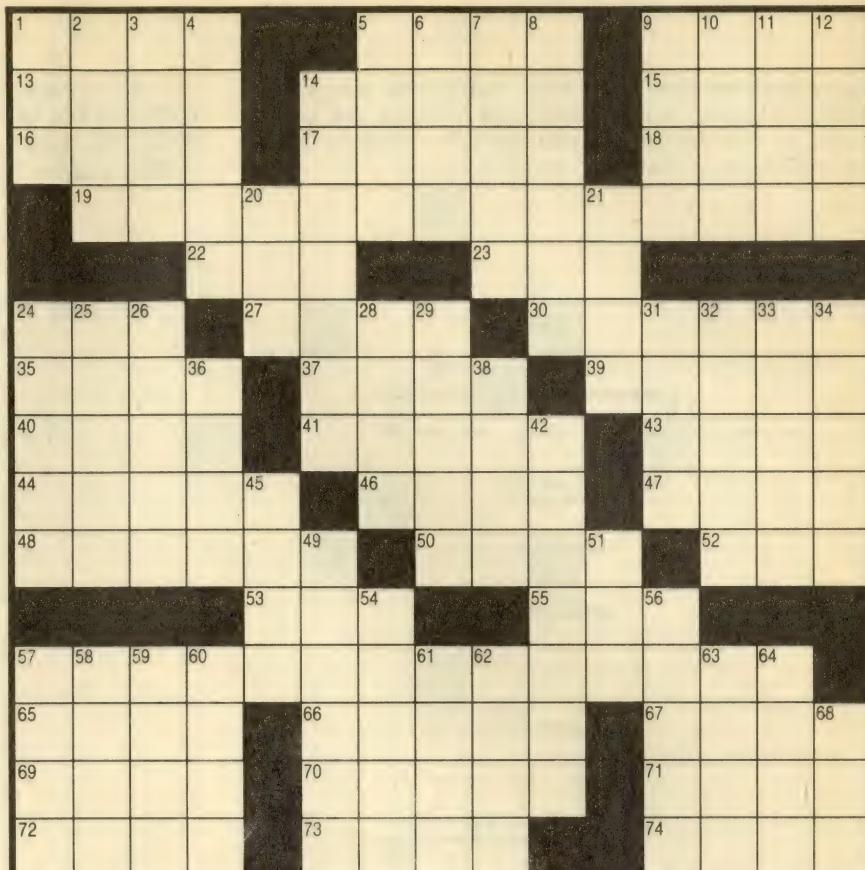
ACROSS

1 Leer at
 5 *M*A*S*H* star Alan
 9 Watch over, as sheep
 13 Newborn horse
 14 "Saw wood"
 15 General Robert _____: 2 wds.
 16 Aluminum _____ (kitchen wrap)
 17 "... the bombs bursting ____": 2 wds.
 18 Comic book superhero team
 19 Blue ribbon?: 3 wds.
 22 Reaction to a mouse
 23 Wiggly fish
 24 Dukakis's party: Abbr.
 27 Exclamation after exercise
 30 "Who cares?": 2 wds.
 35 Long periods of time
 37 Tiny particle
 39 Extinguish, as a fire
 40 Lung, for a fish
 41 Made docile, as circus lions
 43 "____ upon a time ..."
 44 Misbehave: 2 wds.
 46 Behind schedule
 47 Baseball Hall-of-Famer Musial
 48 *Dr. Zhivago* actor Omar Segal

50 In the vicinity
 52 KGB operative
 53 ____-la-la
 55 Cub Scout group
 57 Marathoner's woe?: 4 wds.
 65 Wise man
 66 Police car signal
 67 Christmas paper
 69 Contented kitty's sound
 70 The "in" thing
 71 Farmer's storage building
 72 Winter toy
 73 Meets a bet, in poker
 74 Shrill bark

DOWN

1 Light switch position
 2 Pull a boner
 3 Animal's hideaway
 4 *Dallas* matriarch Miss _____
 5 The "A" in A.D.
 6 Bread purchase
 7 Play chauffeur
 8 Nests for eagles
 9 College course book
 10 St. ____'s fire
 11 ____-do-well
 12 Disavow
 14 Dressy headwear: 2 wds.
 20 Actor Ayres
 21 Clump of dirt
 24 French artist Edgar
 25 *Love Story* author Segal



ANSWER, PAGE 58

26 Mediterranean island
 28 And others: 2 wds., abbr.
 29 Helen Reddy's "I Am ____"
 31 Courts
 32 Goes on a quest for
 33 BMI's counterpart: Abbr.
 34 Itsy-bitsy
 36 Run one's speech together
 38 Dole (out)
 42 Street with no outlet: 2 wds.
 45 Feel sorry for
 49 Ices a cake
 51 Umpire, for short
 54 Burning
 56 Worthy of reporting
 57 Nile vipers
 58 France, formerly
 59 Story monster
 60 Geeky person
 61 Shade source
 62 Roosters' mates
 63 Lake Ontario neighbor
 64 Adjective for many basketball players
 68 Balloon sound

LEADING MEN *

BY BARRY WITZKE

The quiz below shouldn't be too hard to manage. The answer to each clue is a word or name beginning with the syllable MAN.

For example, "Official order" would be MANDATE. If you get stuck, all the answers are made manifest on page 56.

- Center of New York City _____
- Department store model _____
- Country singer Barbara _____
- Type of orange _____
- Winnipeg's province _____
- Handcuffs _____
- Treatment of the fingernails _____
- City in England or New Hampshire _____
- Pear-shaped musical instrument _____
- Region of northeast China _____
- Actress Jayne _____
- Magazine submission _____
- South African figure _____
- "Mandy" singer Barry _____

DIGITITIS ★★★

BY PETER GORDON

Mathematical Logic Puzzles

We've removed most of the digits from the four long-division problems below. Can you replace the numbers, one digit per dash, so that each completed division is mathematically correct? Each puzzle has a unique solution.

If you've never tried a Digititis puzzle before, it may look baffling at first. But don't panic—the solution requires nothing more than logic and basic arithmetic. Hint: The puzzle's bottom is often the best place to start.

ANSWERS, PAGE 56

1. Warm-Up

2. Challenging

----- 5 -----
1 0

2

0

3. Hard

$$\begin{array}{r} & 1 & 4 \\ \hline 7 &) & 6 & \dots & 7 \\ & \hline & 3 & \dots \\ & \hline & & \dots \\ & \hline & & & 0 \\ & \hline & & \dots \\ & \hline & & & 0 \end{array}$$

4. Whew!

2
7 7
0
5
0

CROTHWORD ★

BY CATHY MILLHAUSER

ACROSS

1 Hymn ending
 5 Not feeling up to thruft?
 10 Thai in the air?
 14 Achy
 15 Wore: 2 wds.
 16 *Les Misérables* author
 17 Mulligan concoction
 18 Like a lamb
 19 1960 hit "___ the Lonely"
 20 # or *, for inthanth?
 22 Downpours
 24 General vicinity
 25 Designer Cassini
 26 Of thound mind?
 29 Truck's unit of weight
 31 "Oh, How ___ to Get Up in the Morning": 2 wds.
 35 Breed of dairy cattle
 37 "___ Falling Star": 2 wds.
 38 "Well, ___ live and breathe!"
 39 Tete-
 41 Rocky crag
 42 Bird, at times
 45 One-color painting
 48 *Father Knows Best* daughter
 49 The "It" Girl
 50 "Alath!", for one?
 51 Bruins' university
 53 The N of "N.B."
 55 Kind of fatihball?
 58 Mountaintop topper

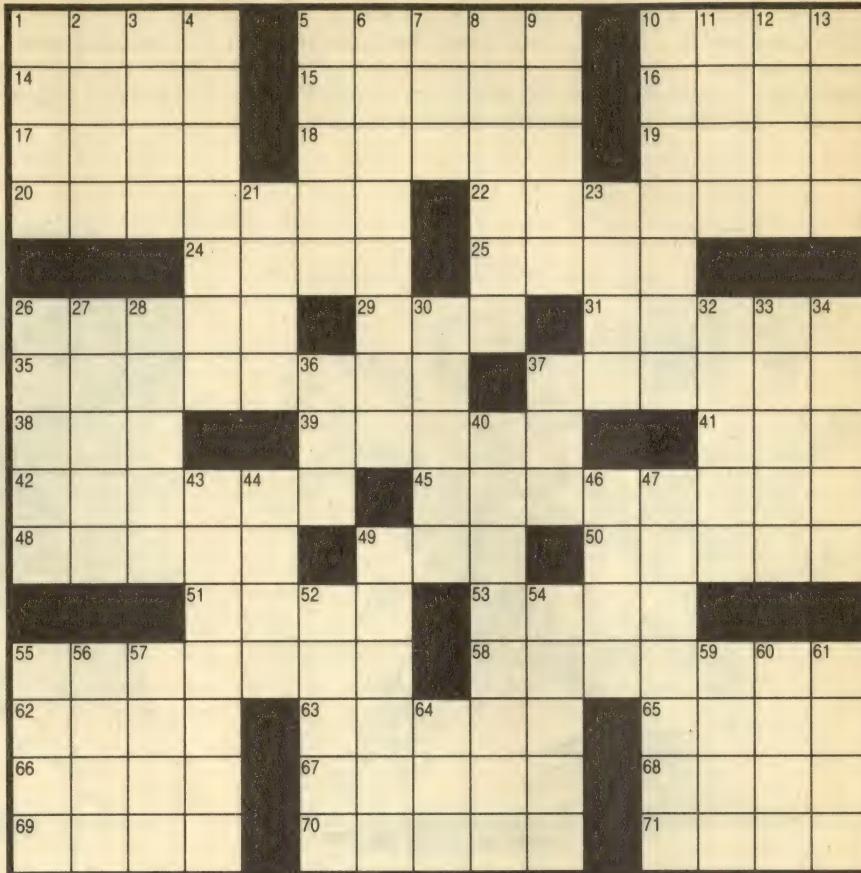
62 Female red deer
 63 Give a thurfith impression?

65 Honolulu's site
 66 Twiddling one's thumbs

67 Director Champion of Broadway
 68 Computer hacker
 69 In the neighborhood
 70 Debuts
 71 Lacking in excitement

DOWN

1 Right-hand person: Abbr.
 2 What a rolling thtone can't collect?
 3 "Able was I ___ saw Elba": 2 wds.
 4 Actor Paul and family
 5 Underthide of a moccathin?
 6 Argue: 3 wds.
 7 Former dictator Amin
 8 *The Manchurian Candidate* author Richard
 9 Prepare to pray
 10 Thearched high and low?
 11 Put on a clothesline
 12 Give the eye
 13 Acuff and Campanella
 21 Writer Harte
 23 *Star Wars* princess



ANSWER, PAGE 58

26 Thubmerged?
 27 Biblical book after Daniel
 28 "He's making ___ and checking it twice...": 2 wds.
 30 ___ Time (musical revue): 2 wds.
 32 Play's middle, often: 2 wds.
 33 Conthert part, perhapt?
 34 Thcottish Gaelic?
 36 Place for a ring
 37 10 decades: Abbr.
 40 Fellow citizens
 43 Thplit in two?
 44 Flemish painter Jan van ___
 46 Sgt. Snorkel's dog
 47 Thtuck around to the end?: 2 wds.
 49 Go nightclubbing
 52 Release: 2 wds.
 54 Unique people
 55 Moral mithdeed?
 56 Avoid It, perhaps
 57 *To Live and Die* ___: 2 wds.
 59 Spanish abode
 60 "Excuse me!"
 61 Unadulterated
 64 Ram's ma'am

THE PERSONAL SCOOP ★

BY SHAMLU DUDEJA

At Irma's Ice Cream Parlor, Irma offers a special to anyone who orders a flavor that contains the letters of his or her own name in order, though not necessarily consecutively. For example,

ERIK would get a discount on BUTTER BRICKLE. (This special, she says, is because IRMA appears within ICE CREAM PARLOR.) What flavors would Irma recommend for the following customers?

ANSWERS, PAGE 58

1. L E _ O _
 2. _ A N _ N A
 3. M A R S H _ A _ _ _ _
 4. C _ O C O _ _ _ _
 5. _ L A _ _ _ _ R R Y
 6. B U _ _ _ _ _ T C H
 7. _ T _ _ _ _ E R R Y

8. F R _ _ _ _ _ A N _ _ _ _
 9. N _ _ _ O L _ _ A N
 10. R _ _ _ _ _ O _ D
 11. P _ _ E _ P _ _ E
 12. B _ _ _ _ R A _ _ _ _ D
 13. _ E _ _ _ R _ I N _
 14. _ _ D _ E _ _ _ _ _ E

CRYPTO-MATES ★★

Complete each Crypto-Mate cartoon caption with a pair (or in one case a trio) of anagrams (words with the same letters in different order). For example, a stirring tennis scene could be captioned, "The tennis champion won the point with a LOVELY VOLLEY." The clues in the cartoons will help you solve. As an

additional aid, the answers have been put in cryptogram form; if you can guess one word in a pair, you can automatically transpose its letters to get its mate. Each Crypto-Mate uses a new code, and no letter ever stands for itself.

ANSWERS, PAGE 56

1.



Private Snedge sounded reveille so loud today, he actually made his _____!

nopqr noqpr

2.



To hide buried treasure, how far will _____?
efghijk ighfekj

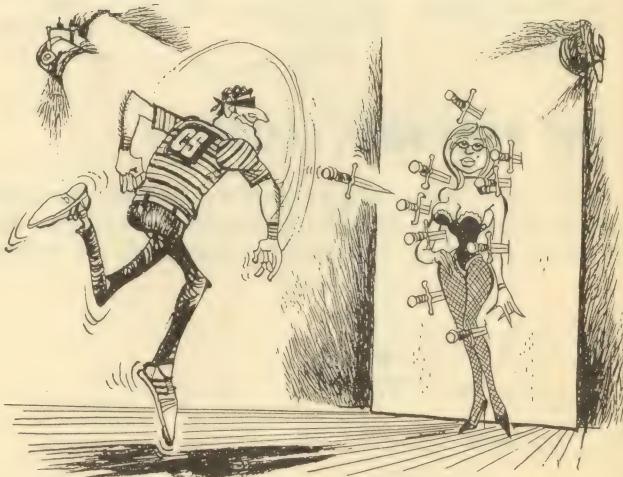
3.



While Bing Crosby moonlighted as a medic in the morgue, he was known as the _____.

wxxyzax wyxyzax

4.



If "Certain Sam" earns \$1,000 for tossing ten knives, then how much is each _____?
cdefg gfecd

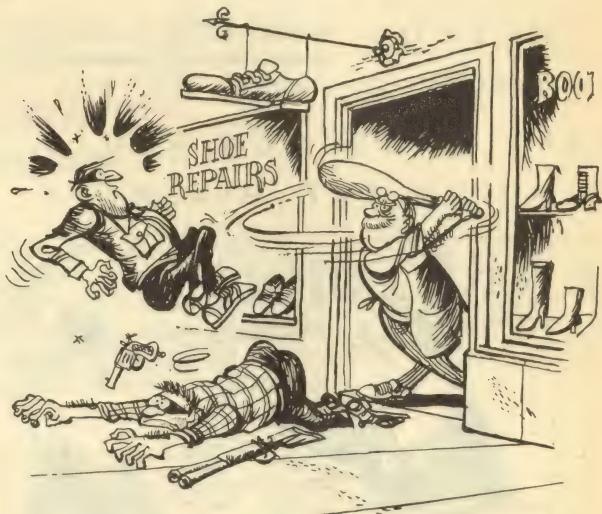
5.



All the guests left early, except the one the

wxyz ywxz

6.

How many thugs caught robbing that shoestore did
the _____? _____

efgghij ehfggij

7.



I'll say this for "The Four Pancakes" — there are no

klmnooopq lmnqopok

8.



If the king appears quite thirsty, serve him a

mnopq oqpnm mnpqo

Below are seven messages—consisting of pithy sayings, fascinating facts, and a cartoon gag—that have been translated into simple cipher alphabets. Letter substitutions remain constant throughout any one cipher, but change from one

cipher to the next, and the level of difficulty increases as you progress. An asterisk (*) indicates a proper noun or title.

Clues are given at the bottom of the page to provide assistance if you need it.

ANSWERS, PAGE 56

1. CRYPTOON

YOWT ZEWWT, ZUW...XKUZ
PUMOXUDO HIWWIQT
JPOIWPT ZXIXOZ UX'Z
EQPT YIPUN MEW XKO
PUMO EM XKO HIXJK.



2. THAT'S IT?

PIYYXPP QE FX BP WTOBDV GNORO GWOUR GVQYF
QXD WEDXSZVN FXCEDP
TDZ XTQBDV EDCS QWX
QEL WTCA EA XTYW EDX.
—*UTKUKT *PQKXBPTDZ

3. WRONG SIZE

T KOLLUYGN KNLUM WZVW VNTJC PNYAO ZHALV
TV VOL *KOUZWVETW CZYV ATIVC LIFHV JNYAH KUTIO
LJKOTRCL KSGRVLU,
IZWOZRC LHLUQSRL
ETRQ "OTXXQ ULVGURW."

4. I'LL TOO

DZW QWG KIWJJPQE YWW
AZOFI, KWQD KZVIIPQE YM
ZWS FVF, AOQ'D NPQX
" *NSVVD *JVVIK, " " *DM-
*X-YVJ, " VS " *SWXXP GPI."

5. NIGHT VISION

FUY TSP OUSIRM LFDORR,
ZVHFISUM, SPY YRPLDERM
FP LSZUR ZRHFER ZRY;
PRSEM VXLRY CVHR
LWVPGM WVM WRSY WSM
HSUURP FHH.

6. JUSTICE?

GWXT, GNDDRXZAU, "GWFY
GRRX GNTSNQMRXF, GNZQ
GVEAF, GRYYZFVA
GWAMZRF."

7. LOOK AT THE TIME!

VNTJC PNYAO ZHALV
RTAWV FIOQH JHXUC
QIHVL, "XUHF'L LNHVH
QUHXL, *RUXFW?"

TIPS AND CLUES

Cipher 1: Compare cipherext XKUZ with XKO, which appears twice in this cipher. Try THIS and THE. Bonus hint: A single letter following an apostrophe is often S.

Cipher 2: Repeated ending -BVY represents the common planetext suffix -ING.

Cipher 3: Cipherext L, appearing 11 times, including once doublet and four times in the last or next-to-last position, is planetext E.

Cipher 4: Cipherext AOGD is most likely DONT, WONT, or CANT, and x, and y, though not necessarily in that order.

Cipher 5: A three-letter word appearing after a series of words set off by commas is likely to be AND.

Cipher 6: Cipherext S, appearing at the end of four words, represents planetext STS. Bonus hint: Cipherext R, doubled in GRX, is an E.

Cipher 7: The five vowels A, E, I, O, and U are represented by H, I, T, T, and four times in the last or next-to-last position, is planetext E.

PENCILWISE

PLUS

GAMES
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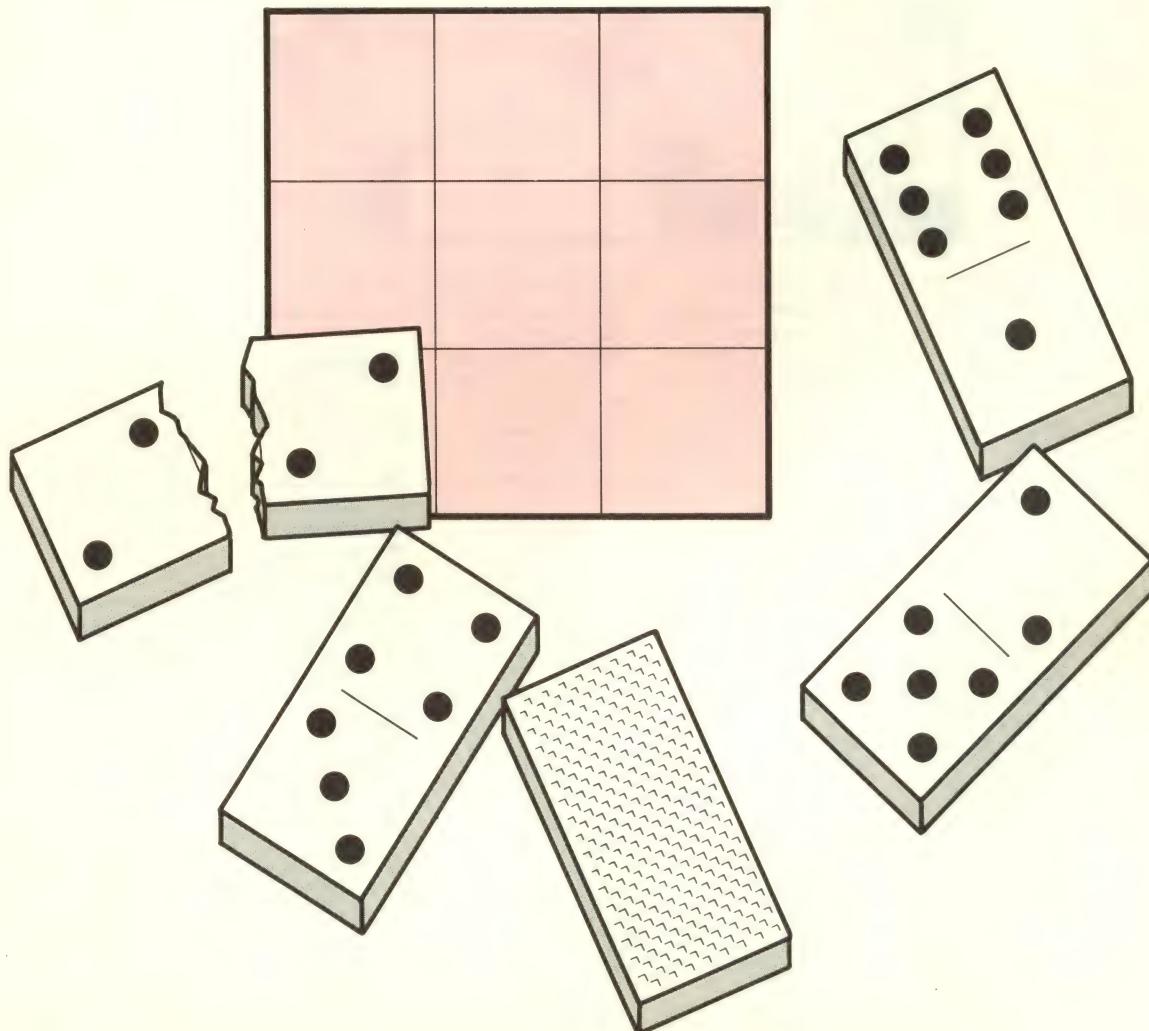
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MAGIC DOMINOES

By Marek Penszko

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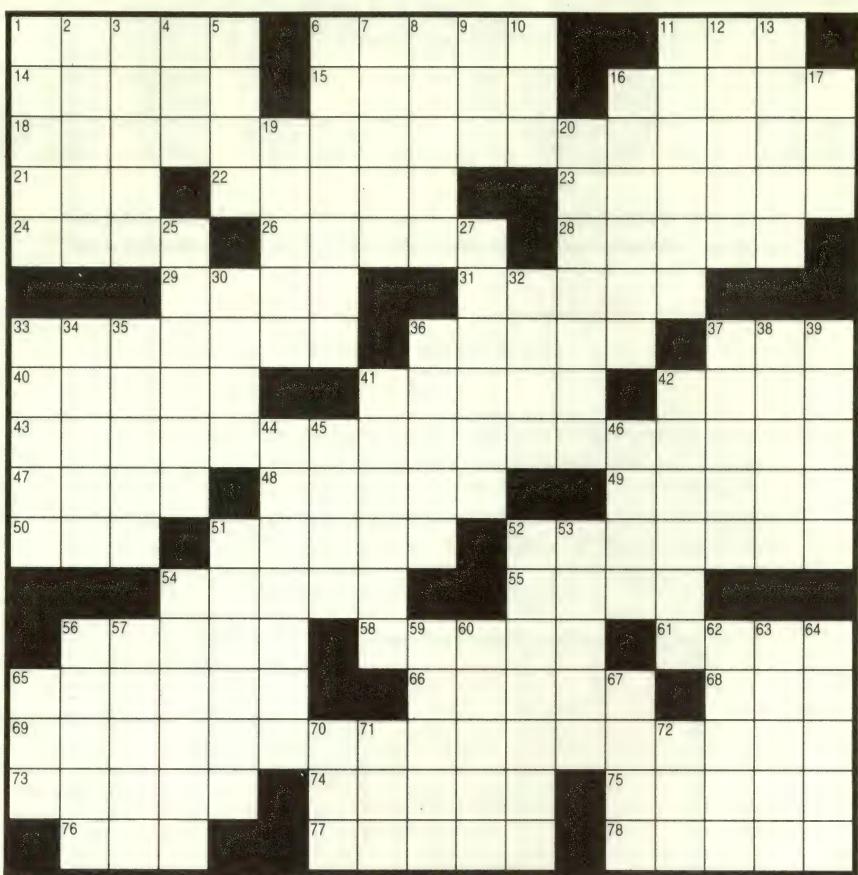
Five dominoes from a standard domino set are shown below. One is broken in half with half placed in the grid, and one is turned over. Can you put the four outside dominoes into the grid in order to complete a magic square—that is, so the total of the pips in each row, column, and corner-to-corner diagonal is the same? Identifying the inverted domino and determining where in the grid to place the four dominoes are both parts of the puzzle.



TRILOGY

By Mel Rosen

★★



ACROSS

1 House cleaners
 6 Student
 11 Baby's wear, at meals
 14 Rock singer ___ John
 15 "Have ___ day!": 2 wds.
 16 Juliet's beau
 18 First book of a trilogy, with *The*: 5 wds.
 21 Sacramento's state: Abbr.
 22 Sheep's cry
 23 Certain baseball statistics: 2 wds.
 24 Heroine of the trilogy
 26 Ready for serving, as beer: 2 wds.
 28 Water pipes
 29 Coagulate
 31 Remove a fastener
 33 Cake mixtures
 36 Swing wildly
 37 "A little ___ 'll do ya"

40 Deeply bitter
 41 Some surreal paintings
 42 Verdi opera
 43 Second book of the trilogy: 4 wds.
 47 Sharpen, as knives
 48 Dined
 49 Glasslike minerals
 50 Turf
 51 Fairy-tale meanies
 52 *Star Wars* adventurer: 2 wds.
 54 ___ and whey
 55 "Play it ___ lays": 2 wds.
 56 Muse of love poetry
 58 Linger
 61 Trilogy author Jean
 65 Not monaural
 66 Mexican coins
 68 Mediterranean, e.g.
 69 Third book of the trilogy: 3 wds.

73 Bolt with a head
 74 Actress Tatum
 75 Eagle's nest
 76 The 1800s, for example: Abbr.
 77 Kentucky ___ (May event)
 78 Helium and hydrogen

DOWN

1 Islam's holy city
 2 Reduce, as one's fears
 3 "Dash ___!" ("Darn!"): 2 wds.
 4 Singer Ho
 5 Stuck-up person
 6 They're often "pending"
 7 Remove one's chapeau
 8 Michelangelo sculpture
 9 Commerce agency established in 1887: Abbr.
 10 *Howard the Duck* actress Thompson

11 Spool
 12 "Know what ___?": 2 wds.
 13 Defeats
 16 Not wholesale
 17 Conjunctions
 19 Ceiling's opposite
 20 Like a '20s seductress
 25 Energetic
 27 Tug: 2 wds.
 30 Mother of Castor and Pollux
 32 Artless
 33 Alternatives to showers
 34 Sneeze sound
 35 Tendency
 36 Dunaway and namesakes
 37 Dance club
 38 *Let's Make ___*: 2 wds.
 39 Deep-voiced singer
 41 Abhor
 42 Popular record label
 44 Stretching space, as in a car

45 Cooking fat
 46 Science magazine
 51 Consume more than
 52 In a severe way
 53 ___ Like It: 2 wds.
 54 Bizet opera
 56 Set of moral principles
 57 Superman portrayer Christopher
 59 More appropriate
 60 Type of clinic, for short
 62 Consumers
 63 Spooky
 64 Emits a high-tech beam
 65 Ocean liner: Abbr.
 67 Unexpected obstacle
 70 *The ___ Squad* (TV oldie)
 71 "___ of these days, Alice ...!"
 72 Tetley or Lipton serving

CRYPTO-FUNNIES

By Robert Leighton

★★

In this comic strip, all the dialogue has been converted into a cryptogram. That is, every letter of the alphabet has been consistently substituted by another letter throughout the cartoon. For example, if G represents v in one word, it will represent v in every word. Look for distinctive letter patterns and punctuation to help you get started.



POP QUIZ

By Art Pipeny



Fill in the words and phrases below so that they interlock in crossword fashion in the grid. When the puzzle is solved correctly, each word will be used exactly once. A starting hint appears on the bottom left corner of page A14.

3 LETTERS

ABC
A-HA
WAR
YES

INXS

NENA
SADE
STYX
TOTO

6 LETTERS

B.B. KING
BOSTON
DR. HOOK
THE WHO

9 LETTERS

JOURNEY
SANTANA
SHEILA E.
TIFFANY

FATS DOMINO

HELEN REDDY
LESLEY GORE
NEIL SEDAKA

4 LETTERS

ABBA
AC/DC
DAWN
DION

5 LETTERS

BREAD
HEART
STING

7 LETTERS

AMERICA
CHICAGO
DONOVAN
GENESIS

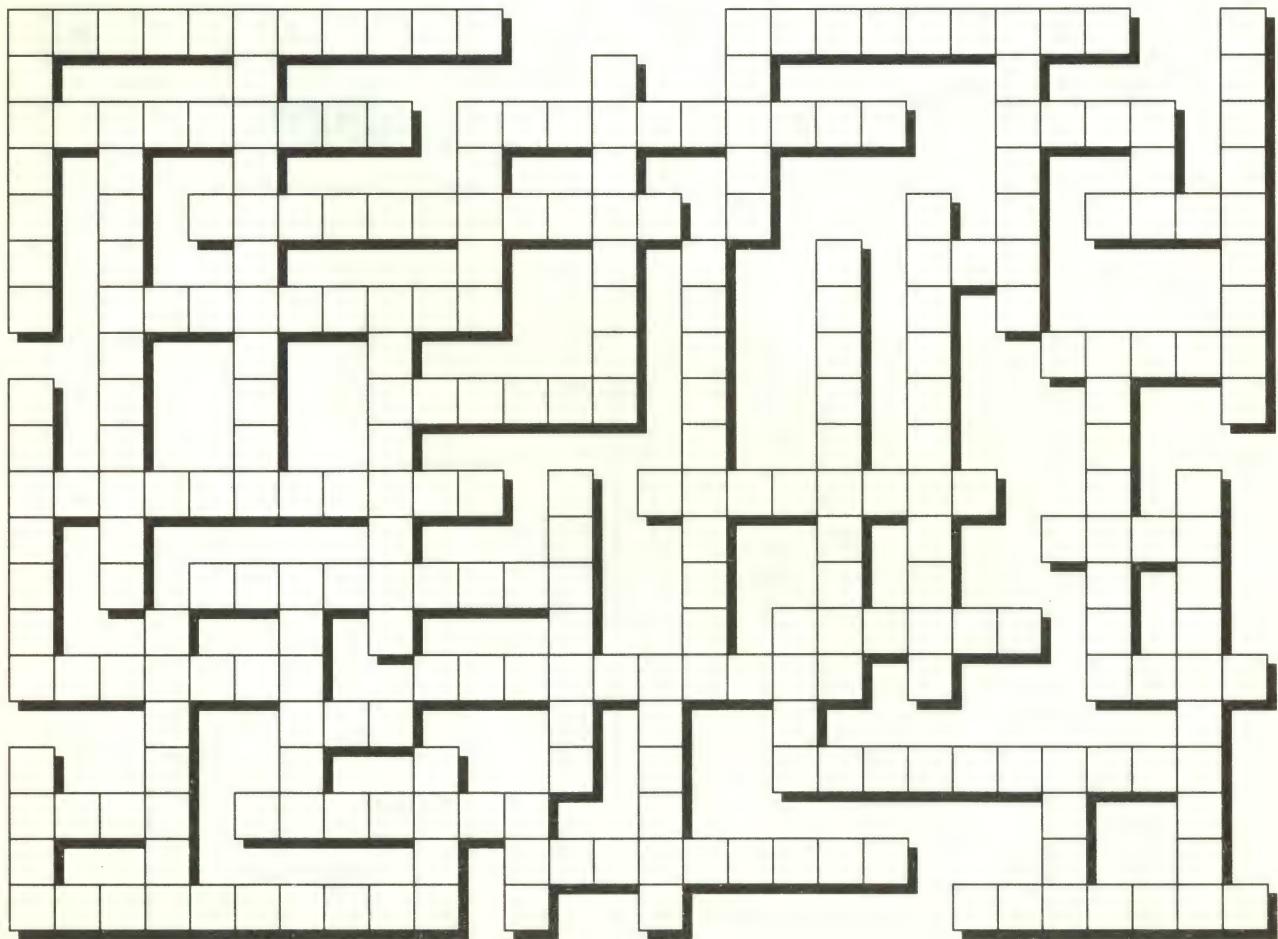
8 LETTERS

AMBROSIA
BEN E. KING
BOB DYLAN
THE GO-GOS

11 LETTERS

IRENE CARA
PATTI PAGE
BOBBY DARIN
DAVID BOWIE
EURYTHMICS

CULTURE CLUB
CYNDI LAUPER
ERIC CLAPTON
JAMES TAYLOR
NAT KING COLE
RICKY NELSON

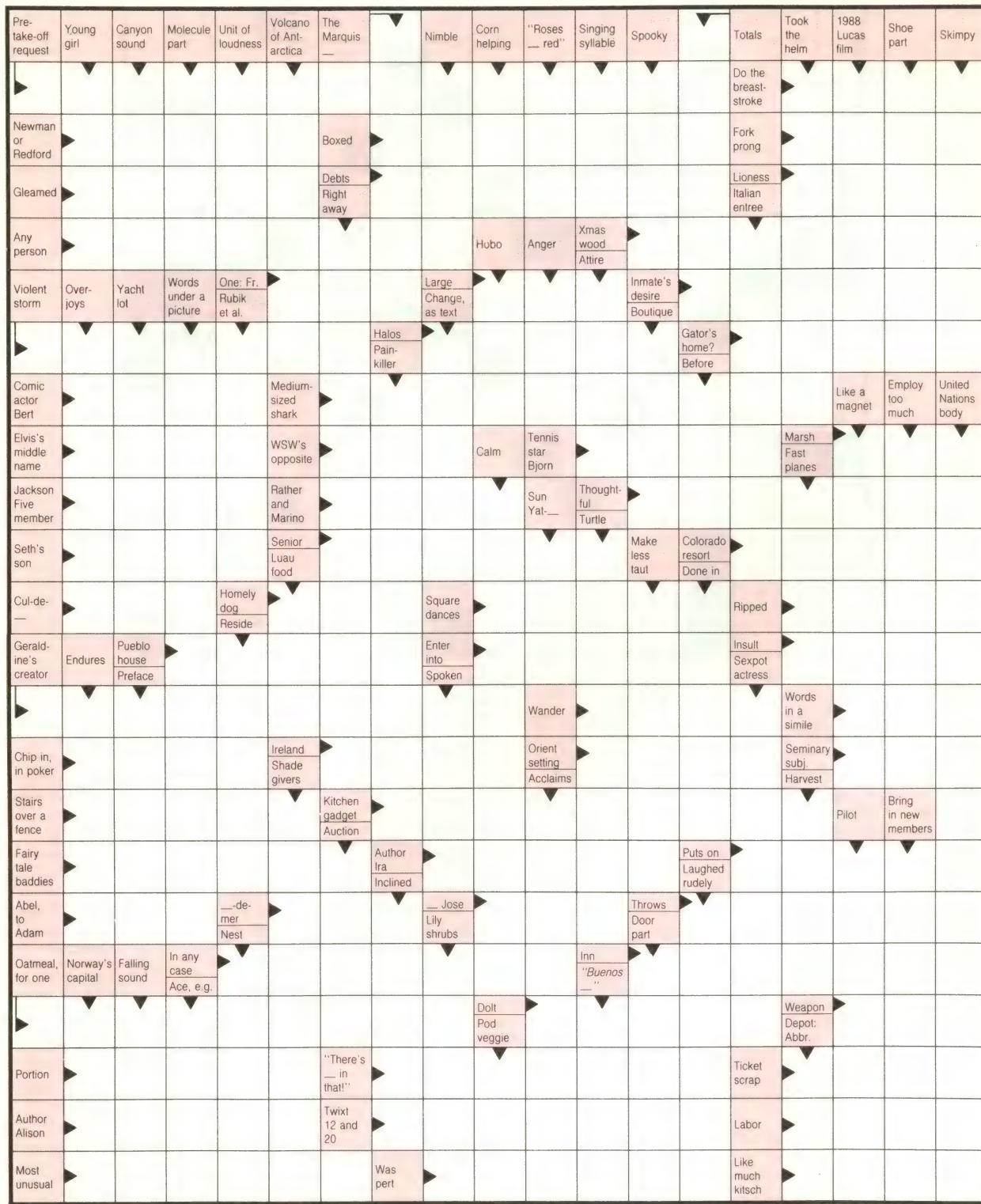


PENCIL POINTERS

By Trip Payne



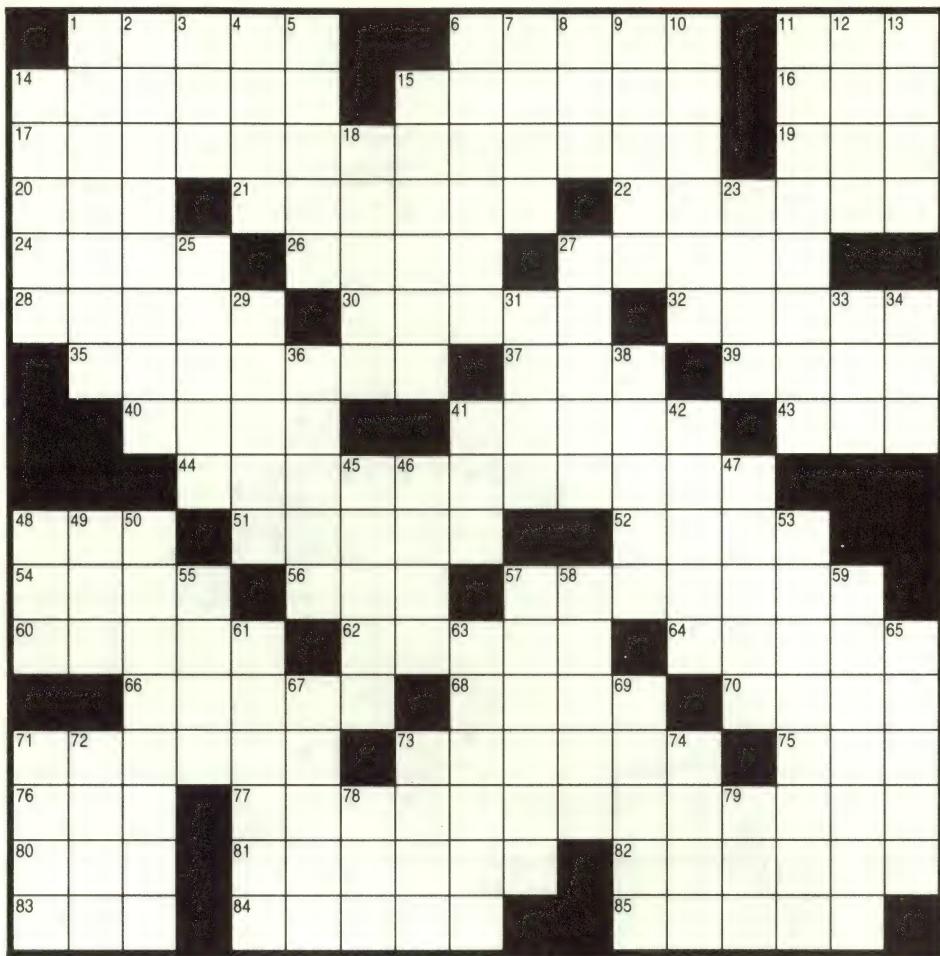
In this crossword the clues appear in the grid itself. Enter the answers in the direction of the pointers.



UP IN THE AIR

By Trip Payne

★★



ACROSS

1 Arizona Indians
 6 Toddlers' fathers
 11 Boxer's quick punch
 14 Nero's tutor
 15 Add another layer of paint
 16 Yale alumnus
 17 Sort of tube-shaped, with pointy wings?: 2 wds.
 19 Sunbather's goal
 20 "___ bodkins!"
 21 Lacking (with "of")
 22 "___ happy family": 2 wds.
 24 Robbers' pursuers
 26 Huck and Jim's transportation
 27 Slippery as ___: 2 wds.

28 Vonnegut and Weill
 30 Eliminate gender-biased references in
 32 Emulate Hans Brinker
 35 Got one's incisors
 37 Cause for extra innings
 39 Look over a page
 40 Gateway Arch architect ___ Saarinen
 41 Jemima, Polly, and Em
 43 Poke fun at
 44 What Lindbergh does before smoking?: 2 wds.
 48 Young seal
 51 ___ Bill of tall tales
 52 Like some Ph.D. exams
 54 Like as peas in ___: 2 wds.

56 Follow relentlessly
 57 Gives one's word
 60 Close one's jacket: 2 wds.
 62 En ___ (as a group)
 64 Fake ID carrier, probably
 66 Source of Luke Skywalker's power (with "the")
 68 Rent-___ (loaner company)
 70 Grain station?
 71 Noncommittal answer: 2 wds.
 73 Nova ___
 75 Musical ability
 76 Moo goo ___ pan
 77 A posh way to travel?: 3 wds.
 80 Have a mortgage
 81 Powerful minority groups
 82 Jousting equipment

83 MDs' co-workers
 84 Henhouse perch
 85 Pennsylvania Indians

DOWN

1 Offered, or resisted an offer: 2 wds.
 2 Painting the town red: 3 wds.
 3 Sword defater?
 4 Summer tea type
 5 More wise
 6 Resigns from office
 7 Made a hole-in-one
 8 "i" completer
 9 Hall-of-Famer Hank
 10 Songwriter Jule and kin
 11 Transport Karen?: 2 wds.
 12 Jai ___

13 Bob's Road traveling companion
 14 Enterprise science officer
 15 Did thatching
 18 Give the slip
 23 Reactions to mice
 25 Sheer, as a cliff
 27 Removing abruptly
 29 Take it all off
 31 Needle case
 33 Mai-___ (rum drink)
 34 Finis
 36 ___ up (hid out)
 38 Group morality
 41 Happy Days diner
 42 Play a banjo
 45 "___, all ye faithful": 2 wds.
 46 Roman garb
 47 Delhi dresses
 48 La ___, Bolivia
 49 AP rival

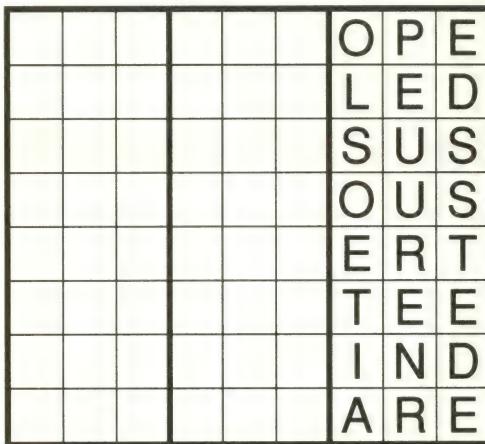
50 How father travels?: 2 wds.
 53 Laxness
 55 Twosomes
 57 Scarlike ties
 58 Bangkok-based treaty grp.
 59 Comforts
 61 Lean toward
 63 Perfumed bag
 65 Actor Calhoun and namesakes
 67 String quartet instrument
 69 Winchester weapon
 71 Marty Feldman in *Young Frankenstein*
 72 White House egg-rolling site
 73 NCOs above Cpls.
 74 Distantly
 78 CX, today
 79 "I'd like to buy ___, Pat": 2 wds.

BUILDING BLOCKS

By Will Shortz



The last three letters in each line of this puzzle are already in place. To solve, insert the "blocks" below the grid into the remaining squares—without rearranging any letters—to complete eight nine-letter words reading across. Each of the blocks will be used exactly once, so you may cross them off as you proceed. When all the squares have been filled, two of the columns reading down will spell some related words.



ANK CIS FEL GUA GYR HUM INT KIL
LEW NAR ONI OSC RAN ROV TAB UNS

TOPS OFF

By Fraser Simpson



Each set of letters below started as a two-word phrase in which both words began with the same letter (like *soft soap* or *jumping jacks*). We removed the initial letters of the words, and then removed the space between them. How many of the original phrases can you identify?

| | |
|-------------|---------------|
| 1. umboet | 9. fterll |
| 2. aselosed | 10. aperlates |
| 3. astergg | 11. astood |
| 4. oodrief | 12. open |
| 5. elferve | 13. liveil |
| 6. ndiank | 14. atchold |
| 7. appyour | 15. oveetter |
| 8. estind | 16. ruityl |

SUBURBAN SWIM

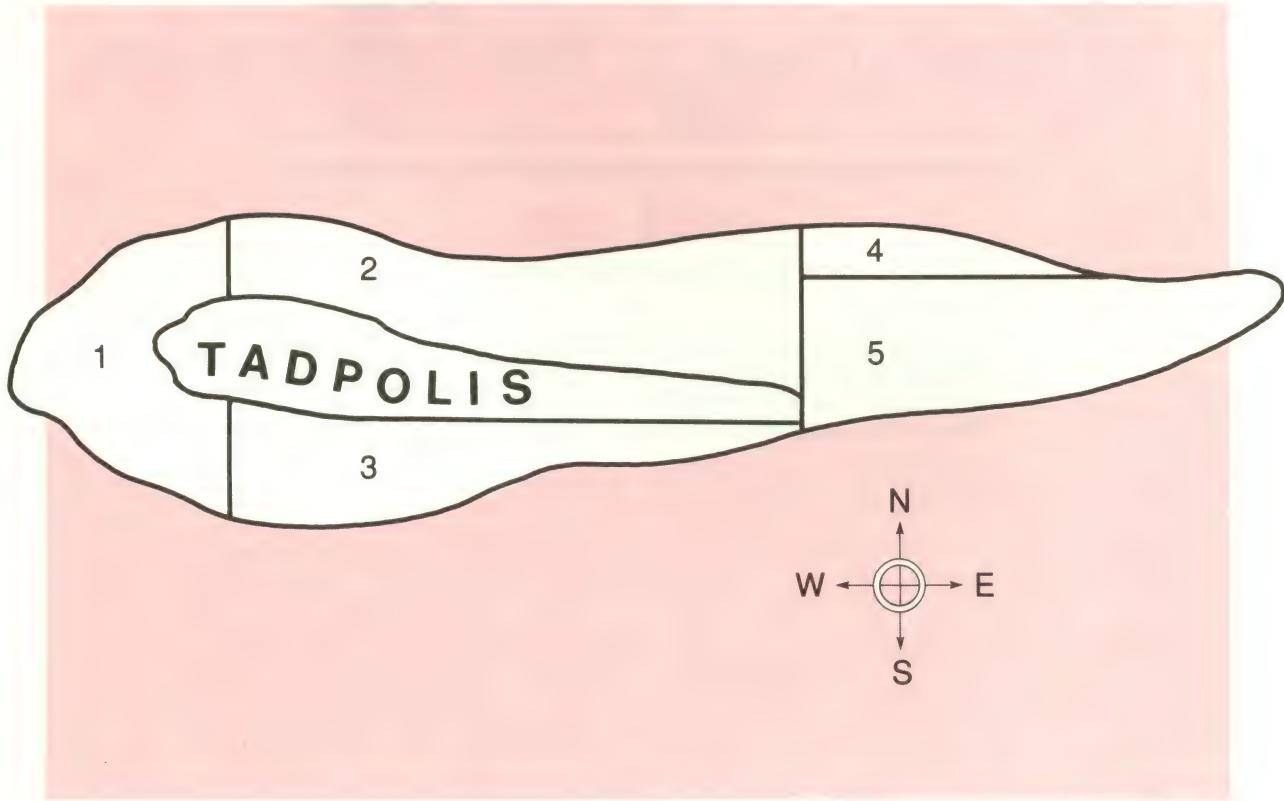
By Virginia McCarthy

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Barry, Carrie, Gary, Larry, and Mary—whose last names (in no particular order) are Cain, Lane, Paine, Twain and Wayne—all live and work in Greater Tadpolis. Each lives in a different Tadpolis suburb and works in a different one of the other Tadpolis suburbs. The suburbs—Amphibia, Frogsworth, Lilyvale, Pondville, and Ribbitz—are the regions indicated by the numbers 1 through 5 in the map at the bottom of the page. Using the map and the clues, can you affix suburb names to numbers, and match each character (by full name) with his or her residence and working place?

CLUES

1. Twain neither works nor lives in Amphibia—all of which lies further north than any part of Frogsworth or Ribbitz.
2. Barry's working place is in the same suburb as Gary's residence.
3. The resident of Ribbitz works in the suburb where Ms. Wayne lives.
4. Lane's residence is due south of Carrie's and due west of Mary's.
5. Paine drives due east to work, passing through Tadpolis on the way.
6. Frogsworth shares a border with Lilyvale—wherein lies the residence of the person who works in Pondville.

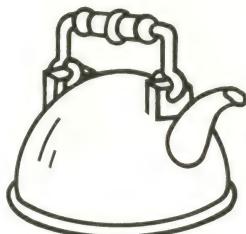
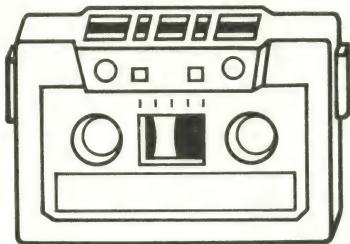


BIT PARTS

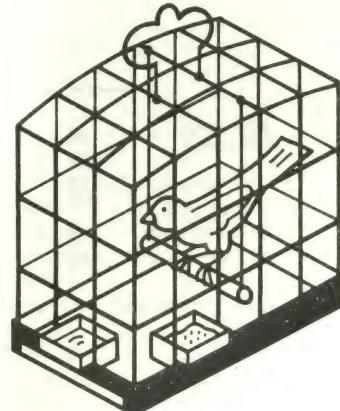
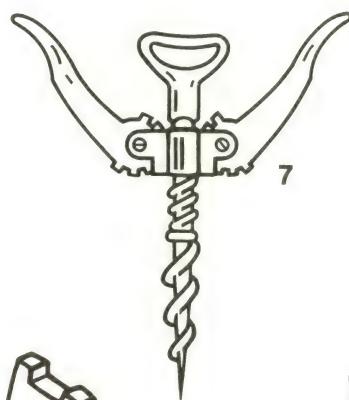
By Robert Leighton



Our artist has saved a little drawing time by leaving out a seemingly minor detail from each of the 10 items shown below. But look again—most of these "minor" omissions would prevent the real-life objects from working or being used completely and properly. What's missing from each picture?



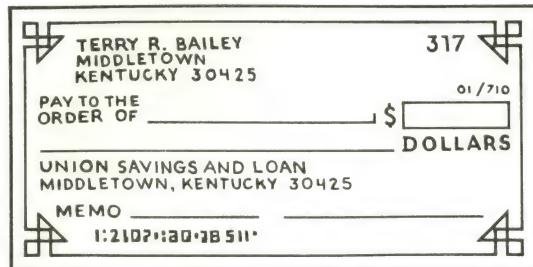
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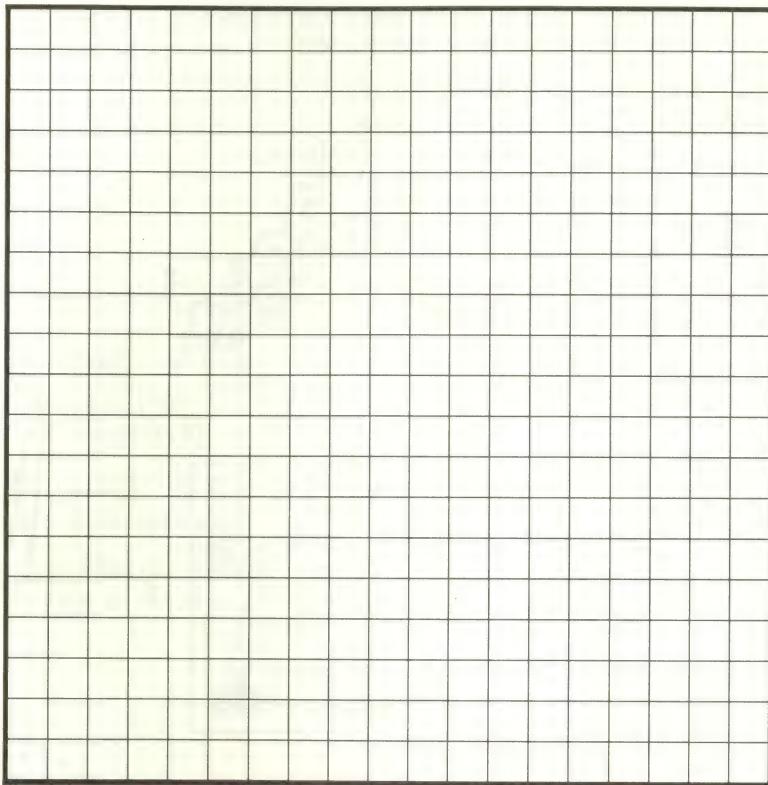
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STUDIO MUSIC

Stanley Newman



This diagramless is 19 squares wide by 19 squares deep and has regular crossword symmetry. As a hint, the location of the starting square is given on the bottom left corner of page A14.



ACROSS

1 Chance taker
 6 "I was out of town," for one
 7 Former Russian ruler
 11 Bar-room dance?
 12 Annoy
 13 Flamenco dancer's cry
 14 Boxing sites
 16 One-time Western White House: 2 wds.
 21 Poker ploy
 22 Fields of expertise
 23 "What did you say?"
 25 Miscellaneous *Jeopardy!* category
 29 Appearance
 30 After-shower accessory: 2 wds.
 32 *Private Benjamin* actress Brennan
 33 Studio song?: 4 wds.

36 Place for porkers
 37 Go wrong
 38 Andrews or Wynter
 39 Claim title to
 40 Studio song?: 5 wds.
 48 "Sweater girl" Turner
 49 Stead
 50 Alto instrument, for short
 51 Pub order
 52 Studio song?: 2 wds.
 60 They connect floors
 62 Pool problems?
 63 Copter kin
 64 Barney Miller portrayer: 2 wds.
 66 Sushi bar selection
 67 Keats feats
 68 "Suddenly" singer Billy
 69 Piano legend
 71 Carlsbad attraction
 73 Binet measurements

74 Abbr. on a phone dial
 75 Indian believer
 78 Afternoon socials
 79 *Zoo Story* playwright
 80 Was informed

DOWN

1 J.R. Ewing's show
 2 ALF or E.T.
 3 Cup edge
 4 Certain tide
 5 Grande
 7 Clover
 8 High-calorie, perhaps
 9 Just like: 2 wds.
 10 Notes after dos
 13 Western U.S. citrus center: 2 wds.
 14 Fashion model Carol
 15 Calcutta cash
 16 It makes light of
 17 Allegro con ___
 18 Cross-country vehicle

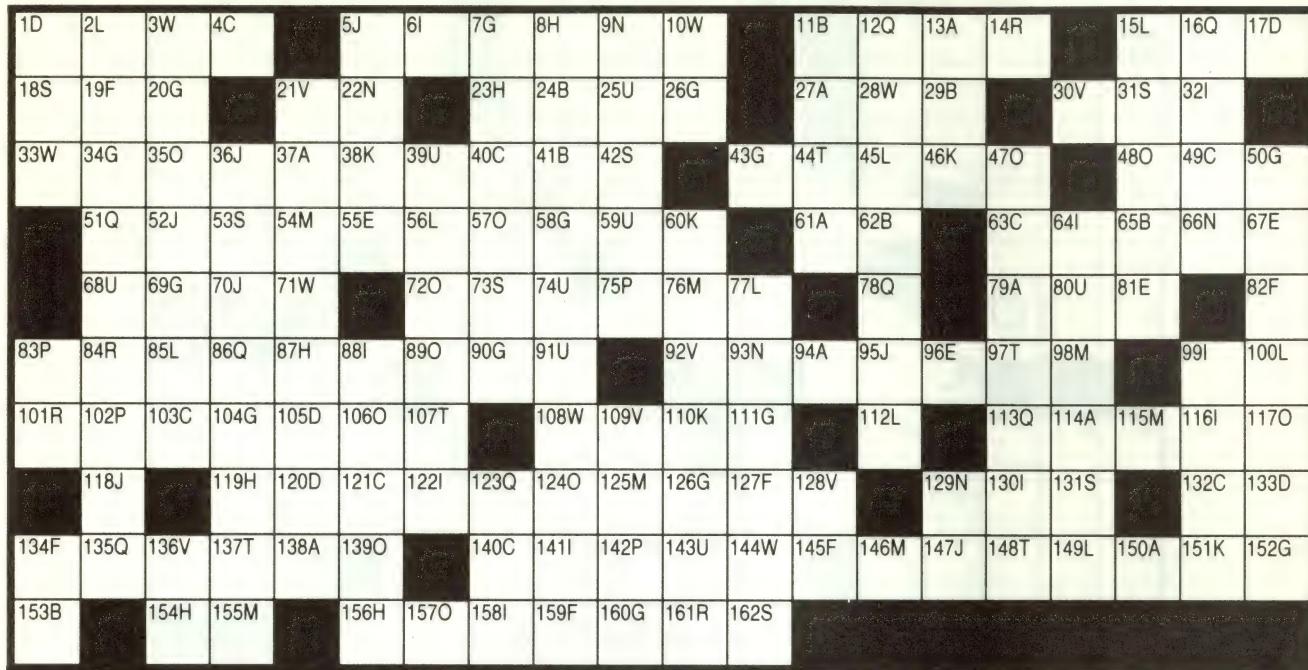
19 Cartoonist Addams
 20 Jabba the ___ (*Star Wars* ogre)
 21 Luther Burbank's field
 24 Monogram on a '68 campaign button
 25 Joyous song
 26 Compensate
 27 *Superman* star
 28 Mystery author Michael
 30 *Titanic*'s undoing
 31 Seance specialists
 34 Mork's home
 35 ___ Paulo, Brazil
 39 Honeycomb shapes
 40 Cut prices drastically
 41 Its capital is Valletta
 42 McEnroe's wife
 43 Yale man
 44 1987 Dreyfuss/ DeVito film: 2 wds.
 45 Become established: 2 wds.
 46 "Has 1,001 ___" (ad line)
 47 Homecoming yell
 52 Supermarket employees
 53 *The Bronx Zoo* star
 54 Road hazard
 55 Takes to court
 56 Bible or Borscht, e.g.
 57 What you see
 58 ___ La Douce
 59 Overly interested
 61 "___ Parade": 3 wds.
 65 Rather or Rowan
 67 Really mad
 70 Downy duck
 71 Foldaway bed
 72 Big galoot
 75 "That's what you think!"
 76 Ending for tact or percent
 77 The Celtics' league: Abbr.

DOUBLE CROSS

By Michael Ashley

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Directions appear on page 32.



A. Snob's steed?
(2 wds.) 27 37 13 61 79 94 114 138 150

B. 1872 satire by
Samuel Butler 153 41 62 29 11 65 24

C. Wimbledon
men's singles
champ in '67,
'70, and '71 4 40 63 140 103 121 132 49

D. Become
overwhelmed 105 133 120 1 17

E. Take five 55 67 81 96

F. Marching to the
same drummer?
(2 wds.) 134 127 145 159 19 82

G. Site of the
Kentucky Derby 152 69 34 90 7 111 126 43 58
20 160 26 104 50

H. Shallow,
tacky art 23 154 8 87 119 156

I. A. E. Housman's
county in
England 32 88 99 141 122 158 130 6 64 116

J. Best Picture
of 1968 147 36 52 5 70 95 118

K. Egg containers?
151 46 60 110 38

L. 1985 Matthew
Broderick film 85 56 149 77 2 112 15 45 100

M. In a clumsy
manner 115 155 54 146 125 76 98

N. Projection
on a cog wheel 129 9 22 66 93

O. Onetime home of
the Dodgers
(2 wds.) 106 35 57 89 139 72 117 157 124
48 47

P. Coach who led
Kentucky to
four NCAA
basketball
championships 142 83 102 75

Q. 1929 torch song
by Clarke and
Akst (3 wds.) 16 51 86 113 123 12 135 78

R. Steals from 161 14 84 101

S. Song from
"Beatles VI"
(3 wds.) 162 131 42 73 18 31 53

T. Like a suit
jacket or
a legal pad 97 44 148 137 107

U. Meandering
marking on a
meteorologist's
map 80 91 25 68 39 59 143 74

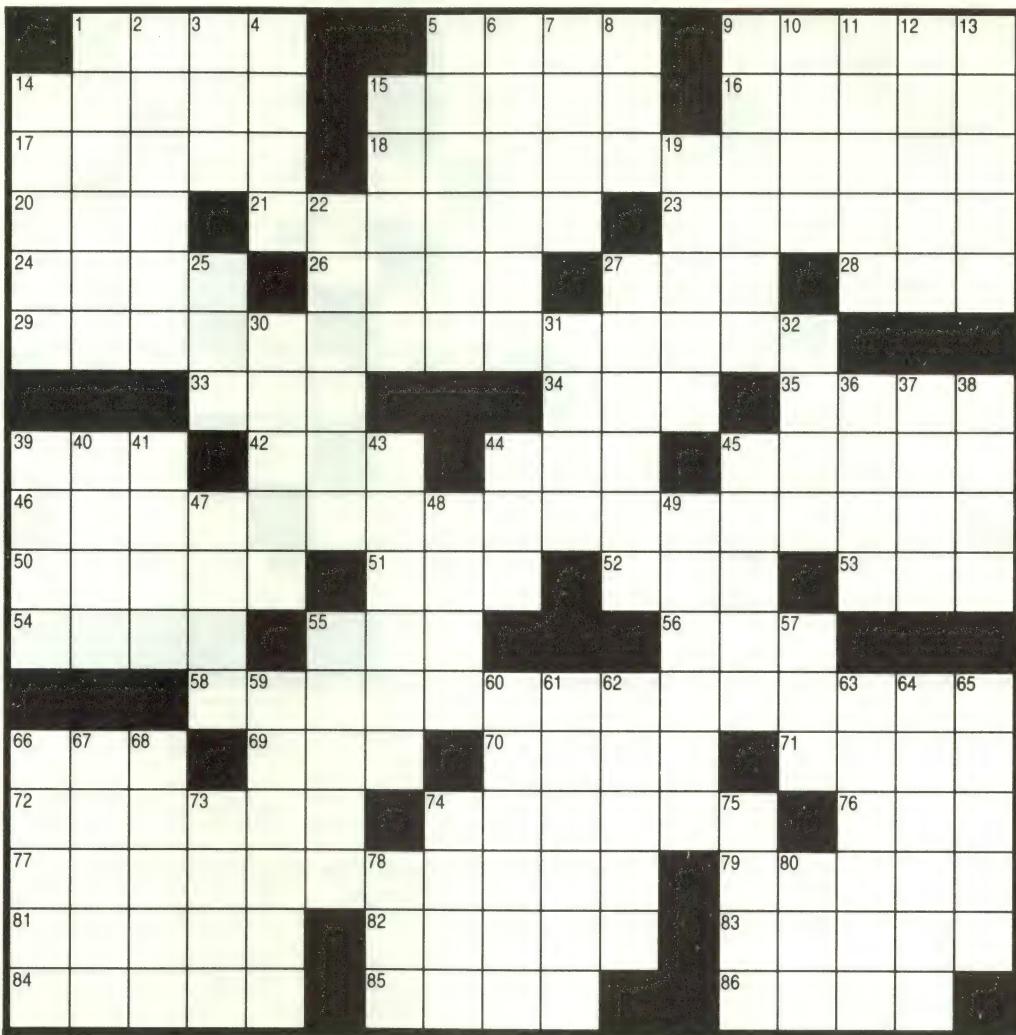
V. Exchanges
fisticuffs 136 109 128 30 21 92

W. Authorize 144 71 33 28 108 3 10

WRITE ON

By Karen Hodge

★★★



ACROSS

- Where America's Day Begins
- "God ha' mercy on such __"
- Stogy
- Carlo's leader?
- Lift, in a way
- Vena cava's counterpart
- Car with a "horse collar" grille
- Verbum, to a Roman author?
- Uproar
- Coils
- Symphony section
- Russian John
- Joie de vivre*
- Enzyme ending
- ____ Cristóbal
- The President's mail?
- He had great expectations
- Shaker or Brooklyn, e.g.: Abbr.
- Baylor's city
- Ararat lander
- Lobos (*La Bamba* singers)
- Avril's follower
- One kind of bar
- The "pen"?
- Massage
- B&O and Short Line
- Drop a pop fly
- AWOL chasers
- He's into futures
- Toupee
- Annie's arm

DOWN

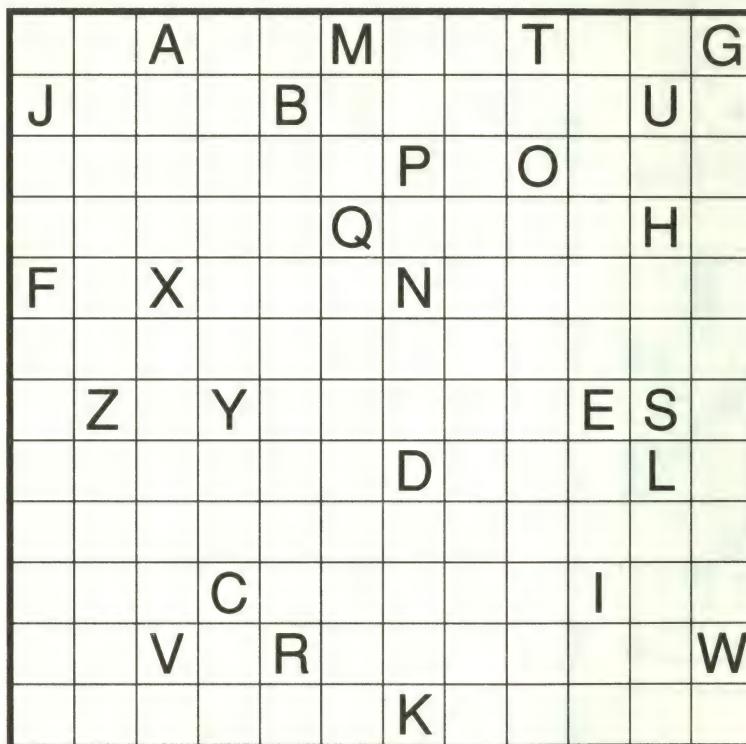
- Librarian?
- One of the Stooges
- Subj. of a 1988 treaty: Abbr.
- TV counsellor-at-law Marshall
- The Bee Gees, e.g.
- in the Sun* ('51 movie)
- Company
- Not well
- Coward's manuscript?
- Post office symbol
- Spinning
- France (Paris site)
- Sobbed
- VP Garner's middle name
- Child's play
- See to
- Chocolatier extraordinaire
- Open
- Had a bite
- Thaw
- Without a key
- At peace
- Money rolls
- Pole worker
- ID checker
- State Fair* state
- Rum drinks
- Fancy lobbies
- Inert gas
- M*A*S*H* extra
- Garbage
- Mirage subjects, often
- Clue piece
- Tang
- Dress
- Like some baths
- What this isn't
- Go for a fly?
- School grad
- Find fault
- Horatian output
- Invites
- Director Clair
- Word with cap or deep
- Nape
- Eds. get them
- Stop a launch
- Poi base
- "Cogito, __ sum"
- Pressing
- Extend a subscription
- "Do __ go gentle ..."
- Nia Peeples, on *Fame*
- Uses blusher
- Casual, clothes-wise
- Steppenwolf* author
- Root
- Did in
- Did cobbler's work
- Yucatan Indian
- Met business
- Barkin of *The Big Easy*
- Smart guy
- Big bash
- Denomination
- Slapstick prop
- Live

ABC

By Emily Cox and Henry Rathvon

★★★

The 26 letters of the alphabet have been planted in an otherwise blank diagram. These letters may serve as guides for locating answers to clues (numbered 1-40 for convenience only), each of which reads as usual from left to right or top to bottom. Some clue answers may not cross any of the 26 planted letters; but in the completed diagram, of course, each of the 26 will be used in at least one answer. (Hint: If you add heavy bars to separate words, the completed diagram will be symmetrical about the center point—that is, it will look the same if turned upside-down.)



CLUES

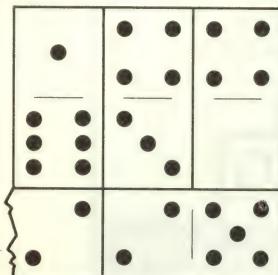
- 1 Part of Near Eastern region (4)
- 2 Audibly manipulate some evergreen shrubs (4)
- 3 Bringer of bad luck makes first of jokes in *Times* (4)
- 4 Topless fur fit (4)
- 5 English navy hasn't a vice (4)
- 6 Greek with two aces holding jack and ten (4)
- 7 Lie around with Hawaiian garlands in the sound (4)
- 8 Seer translated Gaelic (4)
- 9 Article which in Rome is greenish-blue (4)
- 10 Killed host (4)
- 11 Streak of light atop synthetic material (5)
- 12 Peculiar way of expressing "left in hurry" (5)
- 13 Dotty or Len is a solitary sort (5)
- 14 Football coach was tagged in the midsection (5)
- 15 Northern plot of land yields pearly stuff (5)
- 16 U.S. President in fog speechified (5)
- 17 Recoils from fermented juices with carbon added (6)
- 18 Mann also keeps records (6)
- 19 Insure dancing of bears (6)
- 20 French novelist in terrible stupor (6)
- 21 Shiny ornament for use in exotically clothing queen (6)
- 22 Walk in street, then go by car (6)
- 23 New store stocking excellent hi-fi equipment (6)
- 24 A severe rear (6)
- 25 Sticks kilo in drainage pipes (7)
- 26 State laboratory kept by a doctors' group (7)
- 27 Vast abuse of cocaine (7)
- 28 Car entered, carrying final character—a Russian ruler's wife (7)
- 29 The woman's supporting great American oil wells (7)
- 30 Yonder's a name for a woman (7)
- 31 Before sex comes up, Boleyn forms an attachment (7)
- 32 Slippery eel isn't capable of stretching (7)
- 33 Rock in one RV's surroundings (8)
- 34 Fight in front of one half of Quebec's store (8)
- 35 Bloom has nothing left for disciple (8)
- 36 Garbage overturned amidst merry escapes (4,4)
- 37 Send old bum last of brandy as though in a drunken state (8)
- 38 Dog discovered holding ox by end of leash (8)
- 39 Bugs prophet outside of Ecuador's capital (10)
- 40 Intoxicated doctor interrupts joke bit (5-5)

ANSWERS

PLUS

A1 MAGIC DOMINOES

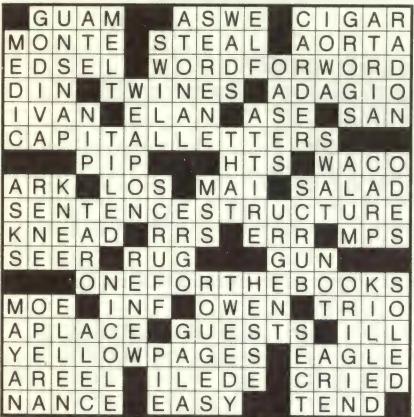
The inverted domino was the 0-4. The solution, except for its reflection, is unique:



A6 UP IN THE AIR



A12 WRITE ON



A4 POP QUIZ STARTING HINT

The first answer across is CULTURE CLUB.

A10 STUDIO MUSIC HINT

1-Across starts in box 5 of the top row.

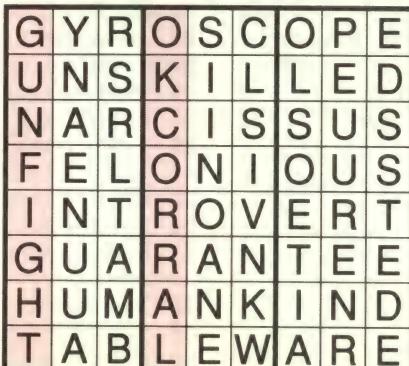
A2 TRILOGY



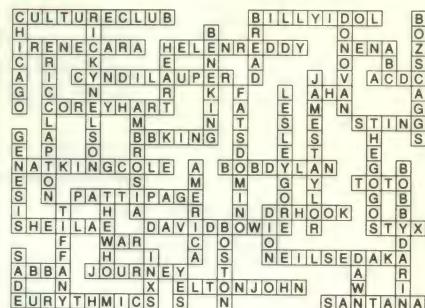
A5 PENCIL POINTERS



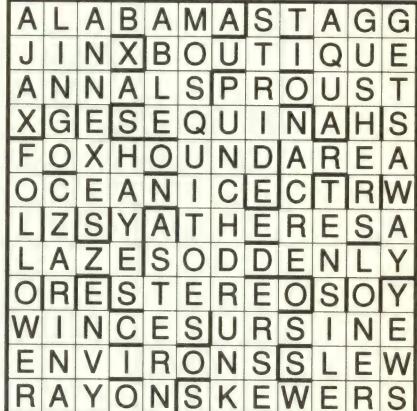
A7 BUILDING BLOCKS



A4 POP QUIZ



A13 ABC



1. Area (NeAR EAstern) 2. Yews (use) 3. Jinx (J + in + X) 4. Able (sable - s) 5. Envy (E + navy - a) 6. Ajax (A + A + J + X) 7. Laze (leis) 8. Erse (seer) 9. Aqua (a + qua) 10. Slew (2 mnngs.) 11. Rayon (ray + on) 12. Lingo (l + in + go) 13. Loner (or Len) 14. Stagg (waS TAGGed) 15. Nacre (N + acre) 16. Hayes (haze) 17. Winces (wines + C) 18. Annals (mANN ALSo) 19. Ursine (insure) 20. Proust (stupor) 21. Sequin (use in + Q) 22. Stride (st + ride) 23. Stereo (store + e) 24. Astern (a + stern) 25. Skewers (k + sewers) 26. Alabama (lab + a + AMA) 27. Oceanic (cocaine) 28. Czarina (car + in + z + a) 29. Gushers (hers + G + US) 30. Theresa (there's + a) 31. Annexes (sex + Anne) 32. Tensile (eel isn't) 33. Environ (in one RV's) 34. Boutique (bout + l + Que) 35. Follower (flower + 0 + l) 36. Gets away (waste + gay) 37. Suddenly (send old + y) 38. Foxhound (found + ox + h) 39. Mosquitoes (Moses + Quito) 40. Punch-drunk (Dr + pun + chunk)

A9 BIT PARTS

1. Hub sprockets
2. Hole for hanging the key on a chain
3. Dip tube to draw up liquid from the bottle
4. Opening to pour water into
5. Perforated edges
6. Pocket clip
7. Neck collar for holding the bottle while the screw is turned
8. Cage door
9. Hang-up buttons, or plungers, in the cradle of the phone
10. Date line

A3 CRYPTO-FUNNIES

Panel 1: Forty thousand dollars for parts and labor?
Panel 2: I brought the car in for a tune-up!
Panel 3: Yeah ... the truth is, we lost your car.
Panel 4: So we ordered *all* the parts and built you a new one!

A7 TOPS OFF

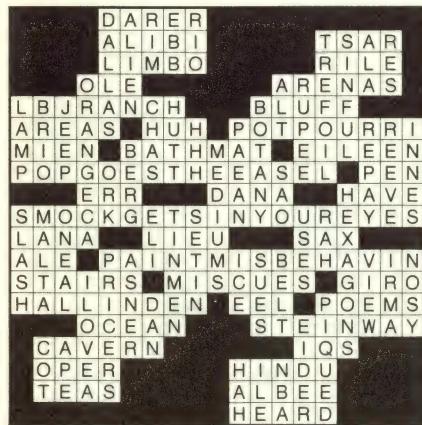
| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1. Jumbo jet | 9. After all |
| 2. Case closed | 10. Paper plates |
| 3. Easter egg | 11. Fast food |
| 4. Good grief | 12. Top ten |
| 5. Self serve | 13. Olive oil |
| 6. India ink | 14. Catch cold |
| 7. Happy hour | 15. Love letter |
| 8. West wind | 16. Fruit fly |

A8 SUBURBAN SWIM

The suburbs on the map are: 1. Pondville, 2. Lilyvale, 3. Ribbitz, 4. Amphibia, 5. Frogsworth.

Larry Paine lives in Pondville and works in Lilyvale; Carrie Twain lives in Lilyvale and works in Pondville; Gary Lane lives in Ribbitz and works in Frogsworth; Barry Cain lives in Amphibia and works in Ribbitz; and Mary Wayne lives in Frogsworth and works in Amphibia.

A10 STUDIO MUSIC



A11 DOUBLE CROSS

| | |
|---------------|-----------------|
| A. HIGH HORSE | L. LADYHAWKE |
| B. EREWON | M. INEPTLY |
| C. NEWCOMBE | N. TOOTH |
| D. DROWN | O. EBBETS FIELD |
| E. REST | P. RUPP |
| F. IN STEP | Q. AM I BLUE? |
| G. CHURCHILL | R. ROBS |
| H. DOWNS | S. YES IT IS |
| I. KITSCH | T. LINED |
| J. SHROPSHIRE | U. ISOTHERM |
| K. OLIVER! | V. FIGHTS |
| L. NESTS | W. EMPOWER |

When Victor Hugo wanted to know how his publishers liked *Les Misérables*, he wrote them simply: "?" His publishers shortly responded with a brief: "!", completing the briefest correspondence in history.—(Robert) Hendrickson. (*The*) *Literary Life*

CONTEST RESULTS

From July

HAIRDOS AND HAIRDON'TS

Mr. Giuseppe, friseur for the famous, wasn't the only person who had his hairstyles mixed up. Only about 65% of the 3,300 entries correctly identified all nine celebrities in the puzzle, each of whom had another's hairdo. The correct answers were:

1. Richard Nixon (with hair from #8)
2. Cher (#9)
3. Phil Donahue (#4)
4. Tiny Tim (#7)
5. Woody Allen (#2)
6. Whoopi Goldberg (#3)
7. George Washington (#1)
8. Shirley Temple (#5)
9. Indira Gandhi (#6)

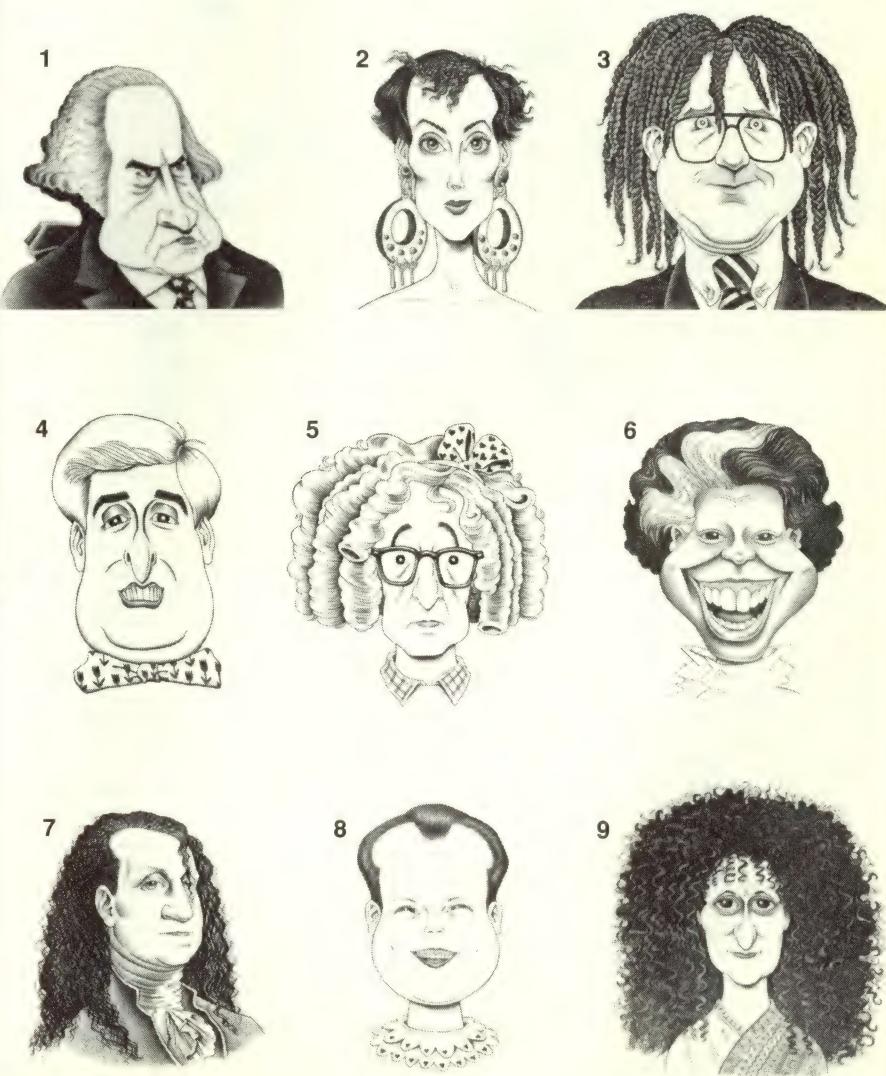
The picture most frequently missed was #9, which many solvers misidentified as Golda Meir. Others made such diverse guesses as Margaret Thatcher, Mother Teresa, Olympia Dukakis, Tina Turner,

Mona Lisa, and even the Bride of Frankenstein.

Some interesting but incorrect answers for the other pictures included: for #3—Henry Kissinger, Tip O'Neill, Jerry Falwell, Michael Dukakis, and Ed Meese; #4—Liberace, Alice Cooper, and Elton John; #5—Oprah Winfrey and Yannick Noah; #7—Isaac Newton and Napoleon; and #8—Boy George, Little Orphan Annie, and Mao Tse-tung.

The grand prize winners, chosen at random from the correct entries, were Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Patterson, of Montgomery, Alabama. They will receive the \$100 first prize. A GAMES T-shirt will go to the following runners-up: Shelley Aubrey, Gualala, CA; Kathy Salvatierra, Tucson, AZ; Jean Tilley, Vallejo, CA; Ray Yantosh, Brookhaven, PA; and Matt Zimmitti, Cromwell, CT.

—Peter Gordon



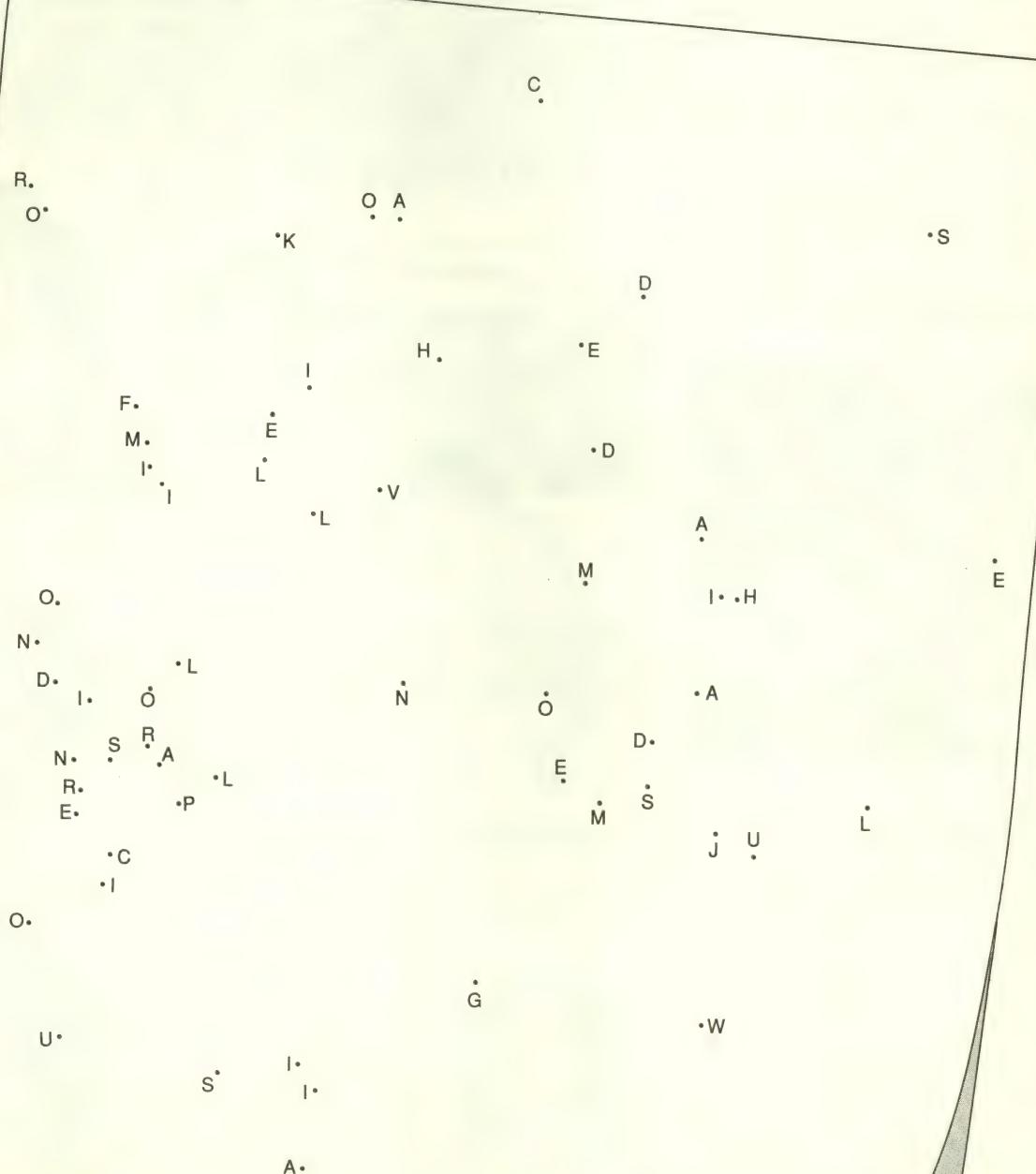
RICK TULKA

Grand Prize
\$100
5 Runner-Up Prizes
A GAMES T-shirt

TO CATCH A THIEF

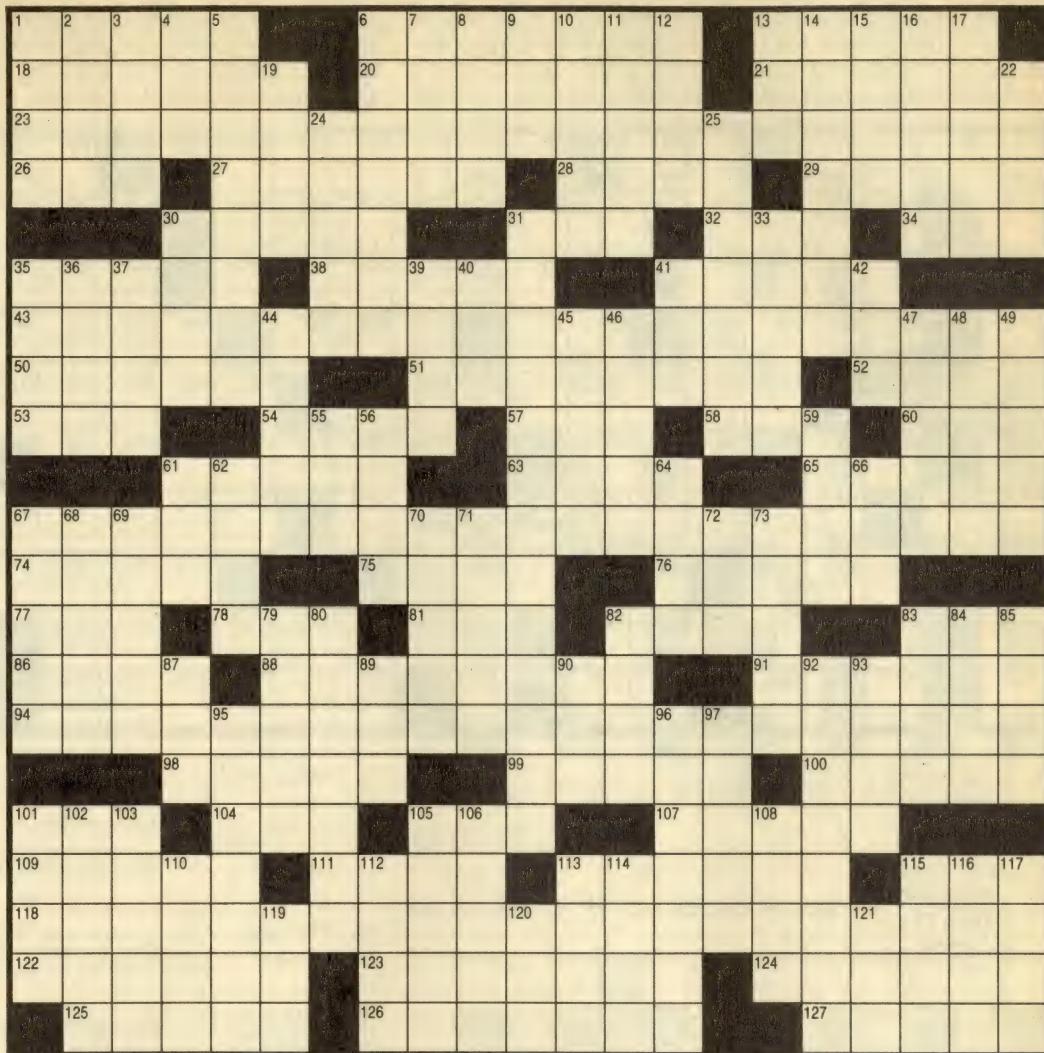


Thieves don't usually leave their calling cards at the scene of the crime. But the master crook who pulled off the great Barrington Mansion heist has gone one step further. As a brazen challenge to police, he has sent them a sheet of paper revealing: 1) his name, 2) what was stolen, and 3) the place where he can now be found—as well as a fair idea of what he looks like. Can you connect the letters below in a chain to form the thief's message and picture? Send us the text of your answer (the picture isn't required). You may enter as many times as you wish, but each entry must be mailed separately. If more correct answers are received than there are prizes, the tie will be broken by random draw. Mail entries to: To Catch a Thief, GAMES, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019. Entries must be received by December 1, 1988.



ACROSS

1 Catch dogies
6 Rated
13 Territories
18 Impedes legally
20 Like some rural
bridges
21 Remitted
23 Who, what, and
where... maybe
26 *Le*, across the
Rhine
27 '60s Attorney
General Clark
28 "... a ___ 'clock
scholar"
29 Accents
30 *Speed-the-Plow*
playwright
31 Pamphlet
ending
32 Here in France
34 Linguistic suffix
35 Bathsheba's
husband
38 Banister post
41 Like Crusoe,
before Friday
43 Who, what, and
where... maybe
50 Nebraska river
51 Breaking out
52 Unheedful of
Miss Manners
53 Hem, e.g.
Gossips
57 Carol staple
58 Dollop
60 O.J.'s goals
61 Crockett and
Tubbs's beat
63 Gamble
65 Takes a limo
67 Who, what, and
where... maybe
74 "Walk Away
___" (Left
Banke hit)
75 MacDonald's
place
76 Clamor
77 Egg: Prefix
78 "My gal"
81 City to "Blame It
On"
82 Draws the line
83 Actress Alicia
86 Ping-pong
necessities
88 Highest rank for
generals
91 Suit ender
94 Who, what, and
where... maybe
98 Volvo rivals
99 Mercenary
100 Replies to
"Sooy!"
101 "Help!"
104 "Give ___ rest"
("Enough!")



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105 *Evita* role
107 Does a slow
burn
109 Not superficial
111 "Flashdance"
singer
113 "She loves me"
deciders
115 Ooh's partner
118 Who, what, and
where... maybe
122 Disco light
123 Studio
124 Like some
floors
125 Friend to Fran
126 Volunteers
127 Princes-to-be?

DOWN

1 Unfit for mixed
company
2 '75 Wimbledon
champ
3 Hoosegow
4 Lush

5 Collapsible
topper
6 Mothra or
Rodan
7 *NeverEnding*
Story author
8 Depend
9 Land in *la mer*
10 Sense of
quality
11 Door inscription
12 Your, to Johann
13 Invite
14 Asleep
15 Exo's opposite
16 Carry ___ (sing)
17 Debate teams
19 Con man's forte
22 AMEX's kin
24 Change for the
better
25 Becoming
springlike?
30 Helm or
Houston
31 Producing
current

33 River crossing
the equator
twice
35 Strike callers
36 "I before E,"
e.g.
37 Caesarean
quote part
39 Troubles
40 12-inch singles
41 Black cuckoo
42 Bobble the ball
44 *For the Record*
author
45 "Mack the
Knife" singer
46 "Next," in
bridge
47 Top another's
accomplishment
48 Stranger
49 Slovenly
55 Pal, in Paree
56 Willy Loman's
son
59 Bikini tops
61 Marseilles Mrs.

62 Turner and
Eisenhower
64 Lotto relative
66 Native's suffix
67 Plug part
68 Crowbar
69 Gang up (with)
70 Fit for hearing?
71 Like new bills
72 Jimmy's
follower
73 Critical
79 One of the
black keys
80 Recline
82 Carolina bird
83 Like ___ of
bricks
84 Retreat
85 Weapons
87 Hers, to Hugo
89 Anatomical
duct
90 Recurrent
Roddy
McDowall role
92 Snuffs

93 Onassis et al.
95 Popular safari
base
96 Thanksgiving
chefs, at times
97 Hitching post?
101 Doesn't gulp
102 "... and ___
grow on"
103 Be surly
105 Labyrinth
setting
106 Snuggery
108 Building wings
110 "Natural" sci.
112 It's often
smelled
113 Knee bend; to
Nureyev
114 Incessantly
115 "Diana" singer
116 Like fine wine
117 Foghorn's
ladies
119 Bee follower
120 Prehistoric
121 Half due

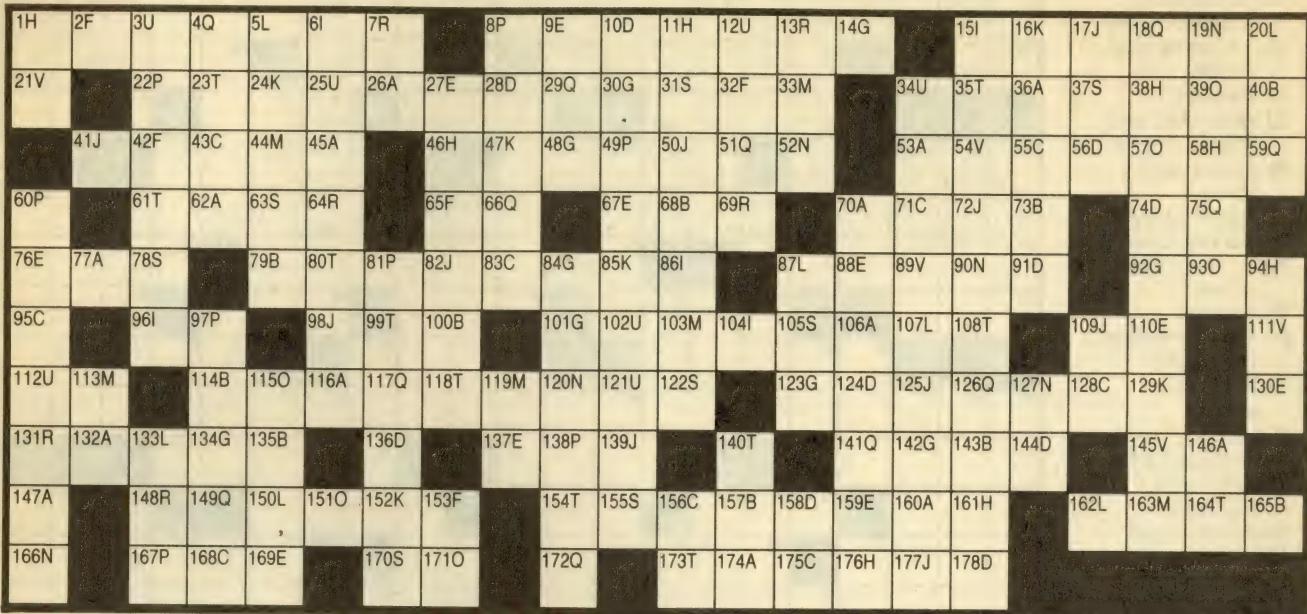
DOUBLE CROSS ★★

BY MICHAEL ASHLEY

Answer the clues for words to be entered on the numbered dashes. Then transfer the letters on the dashes to the correspondingly numbered squares in the puzzle grid to spell a quotation reading from left to right. Black squares separate

words in the quotation. Work back and forth between grid and word list to complete the puzzle. When you're done, the initial letters of the words in the word list will spell the author's name and the source of the quotation.

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|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| A. Irving Berlin's biggest hit (2 wds.) | 53 | 77 | 106 | 116 | 160 | 36 | 62 | 146 | 174 | 45 | 70 | 26 | 147 | 132 | L. Kenya's capital | 150 | 162 | 5 | 20 | 107 | 87 | 133 | | | | | |
| B. French painter famous for ballerinas (2 wds.) | 165 | 40 | 79 | 68 | 114 | 73 | 100 | 135 | 143 | 157 | | | | | M. The Gay '90s, for one | 163 | 33 | 103 | 119 | 113 | 44 | | | | | | |
| C. 1924 collection of Hemingway stories (3 wds.) | 55 | 175 | 71 | 128 | 83 | 95 | 156 | 43 | 168 | | | | | | N. Of longest standing | 127 | 52 | 166 | 19 | 90 | 120 | | | | | | |
| D. Works out a deal | 10 | 28 | 144 | 74 | 91 | 124 | 136 | 158 | 178 | 56 | | | | | O. Lying beneath the earth's surface | 151 | 39 | 57 | 93 | 115 | 171 | | | | | | |
| E. Philadelphia college basketball team (2 wds.) | 76 | 110 | 137 | 27 | 130 | 9 | 88 | 67 | 159 | 169 | | | | | P. Longing | 167 | 49 | 138 | 60 | 81 | 22 | 97 | 8 | | | | |
| F. Cattle farm | 2 | 42 | 153 | 32 | 65 | | | | | | | | | | Q. Arthur Miller drama of 1964 (3 wds.) | 149 | 75 | 4 | 59 | 117 | 29 | 126 | 66 | 141 | 172 | 18 | 51 |
| G. 1982 Billy Joel hit | 84 | 142 | 14 | 30 | 48 | 92 | 101 | 123 | 134 | | | | | | R. Tex-Mex appetizer | 64 | 13 | 148 | 7 | 131 | 69 | | | | | | |
| H. Portable precipitation protection | 176 | 46 | 1 | 161 | 11 | 38 | 58 | 94 | | | | | | | S. Breed of small dogs originating in Holland | 37 | 63 | 78 | 105 | 155 | 170 | 31 | 122 | | | | |
| I. Low-key opera singer? | 15 | 104 | 6 | 86 | 96 | | | | | | | | | | T. Author of <i>Strictly Speaking</i> (2 wds.) | 80 | 164 | 154 | 35 | 99 | 108 | 118 | 61 | 173 | 140 | 23 | |
| J. One of Robin Hood's Merry Men (2 wds.) | 17 | 50 | 125 | 177 | 72 | 82 | 41 | 98 | 109 | 139 | | | | | U. "Adult bookstore" merchandise | 121 | 12 | 25 | 34 | 3 | 102 | 112 | | | | | |
| K. Relating to alchemy, astrology, etc. | 152 | 24 | 47 | 16 | 85 | 129 | | | | | | | | | V. 1985 Holocaust documentary | 21 | 54 | 145 | 89 | 111 | | | | | | | |

CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS ★★

Each clue in a cryptic crossword contains two parts: a definition of the answer and a second description of it through wordplay. Finding the dividing point between parts is the key

to solving. Watch for anagrams, hidden words, charades of two or more smaller words, and other language tricks. Puzzle 2 is harder than Puzzle 1.

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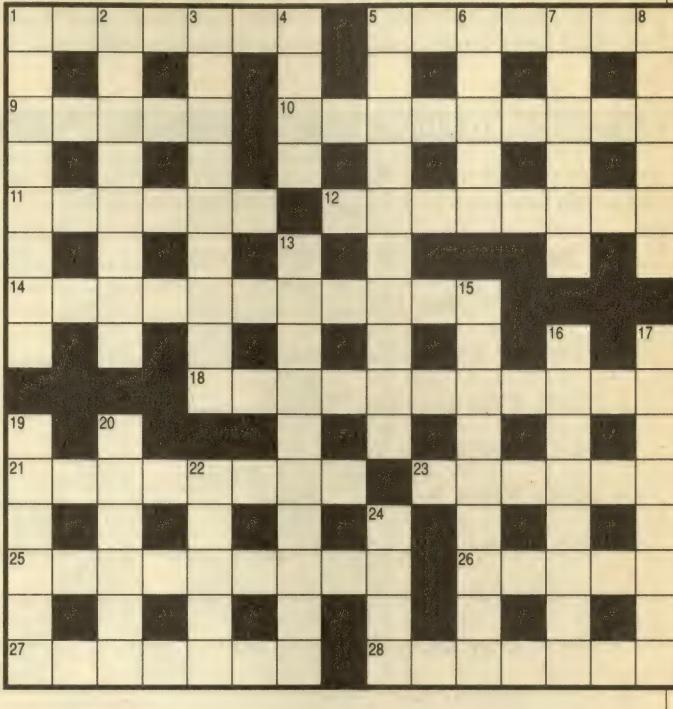
PUZZLE 1 BY SCOTT MARLEY

ACROSS

- Mountaineer is agile after one hundred (7)
- Seducer showing display of anger—about time (7)
- Outlandish lie taking in military police force (5)
- Wild ape's ex-pal has "oomph" (3,6)
- Frank is able and accomplished (6)
- Notice the man to hire is a follower (8)
- Figuring out what the U.S. is trying to do in the Persian Gulf (11)
- Saint George upset by apartheid (11)
- I tell lies about Hawaiian (8)

- We're disturbed about six words from a critic (6)
- Unhappy, bares back in distance (9)
- Baghdad native getting one right answer: question one (5)
- Rabbi having tea with Moonstruck star (7)
- Put sword away amidst joyous heathens (7)
- Mint and apple drink nearly correspond (8)
- Rascal with agreement for exemption from punishment (8)
- William raids swimming pool (9)

DOWN



- Bring sales slips to pickup location? (7,3)
- Lunatic gave in, per news source (9)
- Warlike male and I landed on underground worker (8)
- "O" used in bad winters! (4,4)
- King is encountered—it's fate (6)
- State "Woe is me!" over karma's extremes (6)
- In non-orthogonal direction (5)
- God—the canal is rising (4)

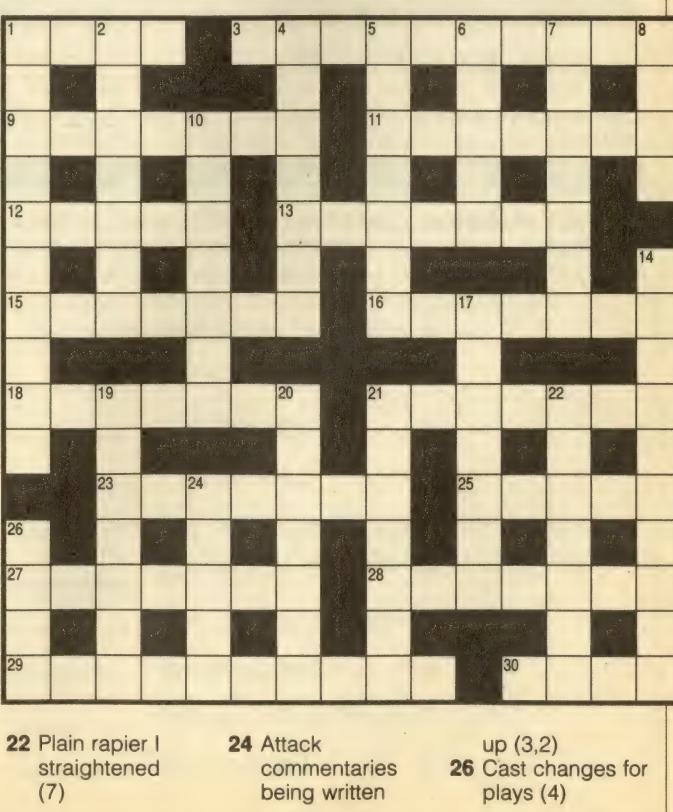
PUZZLE 2 BY FRASER SIMPSON

ACROSS

- Thin aluminum fencing weapon (4)
- This song's wrong about Libya's first weapons (10)
- Am found in a garage, embarrassed (7)
- Litter left inside boat (7)
- On reflection, argue against potato (5)
- Big Cree demolished Titanic destroyer (7)
- Spoiled? Don't start going quickly on horseback (7)
- Unusual street compass (7)
- Getting close, snarling in anger (7)

- Spy hobbles into General Electric (7)
- Country Gold "Saint" tune is making a comeback (7)
- Hear we have shortened braid (5)
- Bit of salt—rock salt—following clamor (7)
- Engineer relayed synonym for "stratified" (7)
- Back serious charges (10)
- Punch holes in a lot of paper (4)
- Charming pitch about hatless hatter (10)
- People in nun's outfit (7)

DOWN



- Dig around in pine shelter (7)
- UN's upset over deciphered clue's focus (7)
- Fry tops of several apples until they enlarge (5)
- Buggy can go to stop sign, for example (7)
- "Swell," feudal servant said (4)
- Swallow one drink (7)
- Send for help to stop, um, vote (10)
- Part of Trailways Coach Line? (7)
- An unusually lazy energy study (7)
- Animal sniper is reported (7)
- Called up and took first place: crooked (7)
- Plain rapier I straightened (7)
- Attack commentaries being written up (3,2)
- Cast changes for plays (4)

For tips on solving cryptic crosswords, send a stamped return envelope to: "Cryptic Solving Guide," GAMES, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

PUZZLE PLAYGROUND ★

Challenges from the 1988 National Puzzlers' League Convention

The National Puzzlers' League convention has been called the Word Series of puzzling. Each year about 70 of the group's 300 crack puzzle writers and solvers hold a four-day jambo-ree to playtest new and innovative word puzzles and games—many of them types invented by the members themselves.

Prizes, when there are any, consist of old puzzle books; solvers participate mainly for the sheer pleasure of matching wits with other members. The League's 149th convention, held last July in Berkeley, California, had an especially rich program of braintwisters. Here are some samples.

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FRACTURED PHRASES

BY LOUIS SPENCER

What familiar phrase or title does each of the following series of words represent? For example, "Butch, harmony, weigher,

Mao, this" is "Put your money where your mouth is." Hint: Saying the words out loud *slowly* sometimes helps.

1. Loam, Anne, undertow, tamp, hole _____
2. Egg, no, rinses, blitz _____
3. Commie, eerie, spawn, sibyl _____
4. Hole, ends, sunned, heck _____
5. Nudge, arch, fair, older, Asians _____
6. False, Peter, Ed _____
7. Dip, honey, egg, sprays _____
8. Charleston, done, hick, cough, dime _____
9. Thick, gray, dust, Joe, wan, hurt _____
10. Dad, mental, note, ales _____
11. Raw, cop, pipe, hay, peon, Audrey, daub _____
12. Dues, calm, penny, tree, sauerkraut _____
13. Snob, crag, hull, lamp, hop _____
14. Essay, mad, tariff, hacked _____
15. Abe, eyesore, kill, belt, fat, who _____

MATCHED PAIRS

BY JOSHUA KOSMAN

Each pair of clues suggests two words that, when spoonerized (that is, when their initial consonant sounds are exchanged), yield a pair of associated words. For example, the

clues "hit on the head" and "pestilence" would lead to the answer words WHACK and BLIGHT—a spoonerism on BLACK and WHITE.

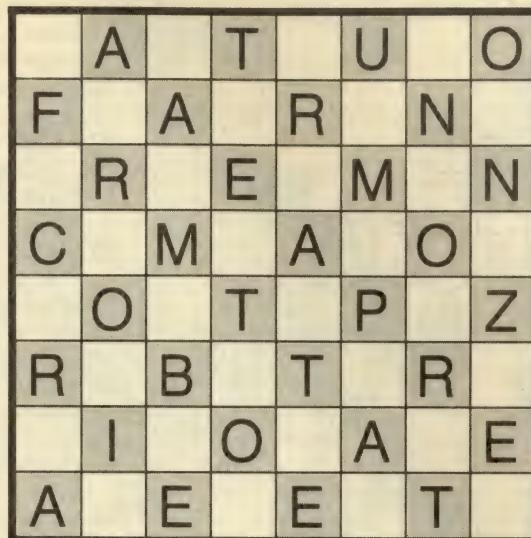
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|-----|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Army bed | _____ | Grasp |
| 2. | Takes to court | _____ | Scares suddenly |
| 3. | Tugboat's call | _____ | Say "alas" |
| 4. | Lock opener | _____ | Hard, chewy candy |
| 5. | "I am not a ___" | _____ | Nursemaid |
| 6. | Pickle type | _____ | Ice precipitation |
| 7. | Habeas corpus, e.g. | _____ | Follower of Attila |
| 8. | Coal container | _____ | Tea-time rolls |
| 9. | Pudding-like dessert | _____ | Athletic contest (hyph.) |
| 10. | Football kick | _____ | Hell, euphemistically |

CHECKERBOARD SQUARES

BY WILL SHORTZ

Answer the clues (which appear in no special order) for words to be entered across the checkerboard, two words per line. Each word may be any length; but as a help, the last letter of the first word in each line will overlap the first letter of the

- Telephoned (with "up")
- November birthstone
- Japanese wrestling
- More than impressed
- Examine judicially
- Reading breaks?
- Knickers, only longer
- Do to ___ (exhaust)
- Android's kin
- Man, in old Rome
- Stylishness
- Kind of sister or story
- Race car driver A.J.
- Excite (with "on")
- Do tiring work?
- He can't say no

**WORD ADDITION**

BY TRIP PAYNE

Starting with each base word below, add one letter at a time in any position (without rearranging the other letters) to form a series of new words. Continue for as many steps as you can. A letter may be added at the beginning, end, or inside of the word. For example, a chain beginning with TRIP might continue TRIBE, STRIPE, STRIPED, and STRIPPED, for a score of 4 points. Only common, uncapitalized English words are allowed. Derived forms of words are allowed, *except for* plurals and verbs formed by adding -s. A par score appears with each base word; our best score may be higher.

1. RIG (4 points)
2. TAP (4 points)
3. ORAL (2 points)
4. OVER (2 points)
5. PAST (3 points)

Par for all 5 words: 15 points
Our best score: 22 points

TRIVIA PING-PONG

BY EVIE EYSENBURG

"Trivia Ping-Pong" is more a game than a puzzle. Contestants at the convention were divided into two teams, and a question with a list of answers was read. Each team in turn was asked to give an answer. If it was correct, the play would pass to the other team. If not, or if the team couldn't think of an answer within the allotted time, that team scored a miss, and play continued. When a team accumulated three misses, it lost the round. Try these questions from the convention:

1. V-8 juice contains the juices of eight different vegetables. What are they? (Par score: 3)
2. There are 12 countries in the world that contain the letter z in their names. What are they? (Par score: 5)

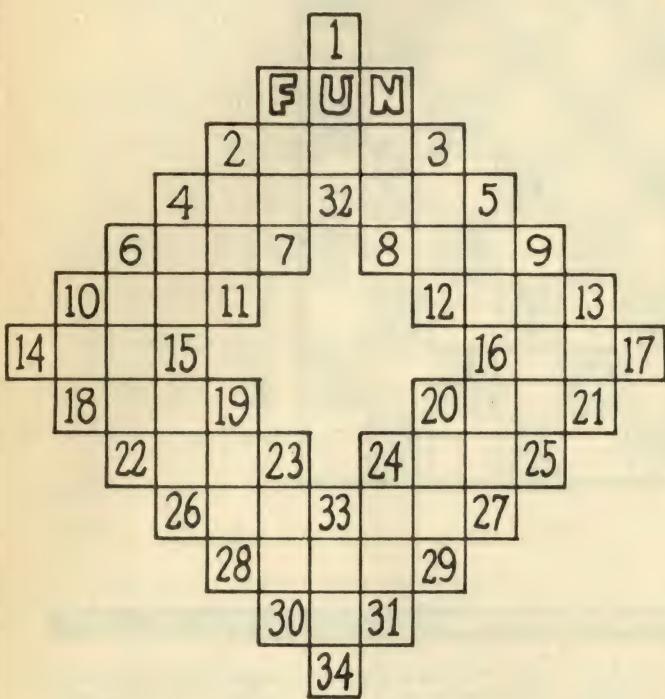
ANNIVERSARY PRESENT ★★

This December 21 marks the 75th anniversary of Arthur Wynne's original Word-Cross puzzle in the Fun section of the *New York World* (reprinted below). The puzzle was an immediate hit (surprising Wynne more than anyone) and the public demanded more; crosswords have been with us ever since. To celebrate, we've wrapped a special present in the grid on

the opposite page: Wynne's original puzzle. We've taken the grid from his Word-Cross (the shaded section of the grid) and built a modern crossword around it, incorporating the old words into the new puzzle. So if you've got your party hat and your pencil, come celebrate with us by unwrapping the answers.

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FUN'S Word-Cross Puzzle.



FILL in the small squares with words which agree with the following definitions:

- 2-3. What bargain hunters enjoy.
- 4-5. A written acknowledgement.
- 6-7. Such and nothing more.
- 10-11. A bird.
- 14-15. Opposed to less.
- 18-19. What this puzzle is.
- 22-23. An animal of prey.
- 26-27. The close of a day.
- 28-29. To elude.
- 30-31. The plural of is.
- 8-9. To cultivate.
- 12-13. A bar of wood or iron.
- 16-17. What artists learn to do.
- 20-21. Fastened.
- 24-25. Found on the seashore.

- 10-18. The fibre of the gomuti palm.
- 6-22. What we all should be.
- 4-26. A day dream.
- 2-11. A talon.
- 19-28. A pigeon.
- F-7. Part of your head.
- 23-30. A river in Russia.
- 1-32. To govern.
- 33-34. An aromatic plant.
- N-8. A fist.
- 24-31. To agree with.
- 3-12. Part of a ship.
- 20-29. One.
- 5-27. Exchanging.
- 9-25. Sunk in mud.
- 13-21. A boy.

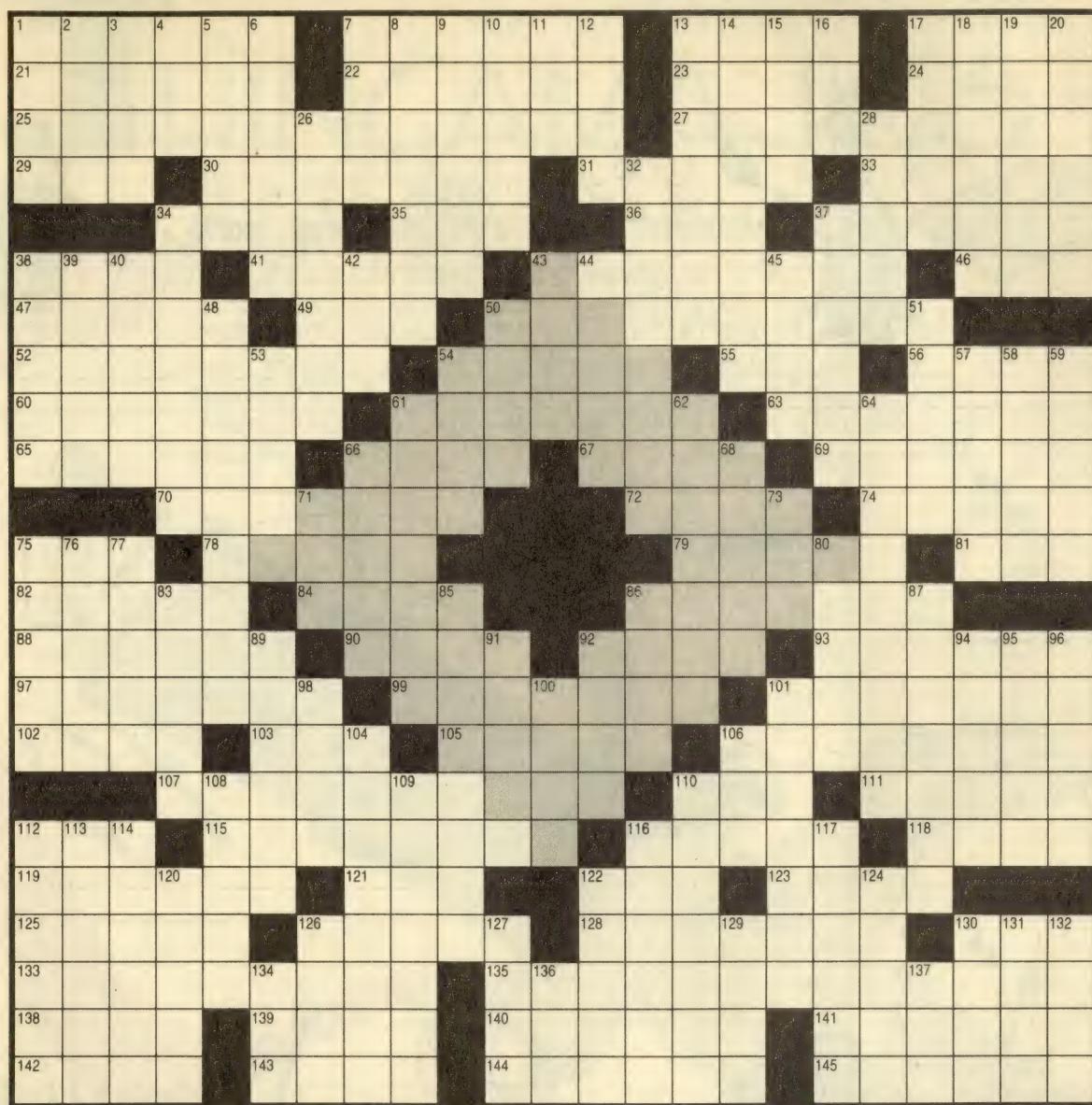
ACROSS

- 1 Hound
- 7 Delicately charming
- 13 '70s police show
- 17 Made an exit
- 21 ___ Dying (Faulkner novel)
- 22 Maestro Toscanini
- 23 Movie editor's technique
- 24 Plot unit
- 25 Wish for the Word-Cross
- 27 Starless casts
- 29 Greystoke extra
- 30 Indefinitely
- 31 No longer a minor
- 33 Dough distender
- 34 Tab, e.g.
- 35 Typesetting spaces
- 36 Saucer riders
- 37 Sleekly graceful
- 38 Tower town
- 41 Negligent
- 43 Join in
- Dungeons & Dragons
- 46 Gangster's gun
- 47 "Jawbone of ___" (Samson weapon)
- 49 Courtroom oath
- 50 \$100-a-plate dinner, e.g.
- 52 Wedding ring setting
- 54 With 61-Across, a refund requirement
- 55 Court divider
- 56 Comfort
- 60 Use the OR
- 61 See
- 54-Across
- 63 Discard
- 65 Par-birdie difference
- 66 Just
- 67 Stable position?
- 69 Cloud over
- 70 Northern auk
- 72 Racetrack fence
- 74 Goober's cousin
- 75 Prosciutto, e.g.
- 78 Subject of a Dean Martin hit
- 79 Speak Southerner
- 81 In-office phone no.
- 82 Perfect
- 84 Knotty
- 86 Like hippie T-shirts
- 88 Lifted, as hot coals
- 90 Androcles's friend
- 92 Bunker fill
- 93 More fastidious
- 97 Required
- 99 Sundown
- 101 Now
- 102 Light type
- 103 Goofball
- 105 Steer clear of
- 106 Gets up late
- 107 Frightened
- 110 Charlotte's home
- 111 Bing Crosby's label
- 112 '65 Ursula Andress role
- 115 Chills
- 116 Shows senility
- 118 Comic Mort
- 119 Craving
- 121 Ran into
- 122 Spell-off
- 123 Tooth part
- 125 Hymn accompanier
- 126 Poisons
- 128 Ace, e.g.
- 130 Gen. Lee's side
- 133 Carpal
- 135 Puzzle directions
- 138 Filly feature
- 139 Refuge
- 140 Pinch pennies
- 141 Start eating
- 142 Cyclone centers
- 143 Waiting aid
- 144 Napped leathers
- 145 Showy

DOWN

- 1 Punchline response
- 2 Without delay, in memos
- 3 Auspicious
- 4 The Matterhorn, for one
- 5 Authority
- 6 Prophetesses
- 7 Defy
- 8 Erté's forte
- 9 Cartesian premise
- 10 Some Picassos
- 11 Singing syllable
- 12 Jerk
- 13 Mister Rogers's trademark
- 14 Up to ten feet, for a condor
- 15 Bishop's seat setting
- 16 PGA peg
- 17 Care instruction site
- 18 Bakery treat
- 19 The Raisin Capital
- 20 Checked out
- 26 Queued up
- 28 Words of disbelief
- 32 Crystalline mineral

Arthur Wynne's first crossword puzzle appeared on December 21, 1913. Although other crossword-like puzzles had appeared before 1913, Wynne was the first to include a pattern of squares to be filled in.



| | | | | | |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 34 Fidel and family | 48 "Move it!" | 64 Like a good scout | 87 With the most humidity | 104 Devil's island? | 124 Burger and fries to go, perhaps |
| 37 Eschewed food | 50 Mug | 66 Fable's finish | 89 Broncos' home | 106 Play room? | 126 Sow suitor |
| 38 ___ Verdes (California hills) | 51 Camera-ready type | 68 Bogged down | 91 Of a birthmark | 108 Mole, perhaps | 127 Cheek |
| 39 Bumbling | 53 George Peppard series, with <i>The</i> | 71 Play-___ (moldable toy) | 92 Flank | 109 Vista view | 129 Nile reptiles |
| 40 Cohort of Wallace and Sawyer | 54 Dried up | 73 Young buck | 94 Cavaradossi's lover | 110 "Alas!" | 130 Julius Dithers's wife |
| 42 Ring up | 57 ___ no questions ..." | 75 Proposition, in a way | 95 Author Segal | 113 "Yippee!" | 131 Houlihan's portrayer |
| 43 Occupy the throne | 58 Heat-resistant glass | 76 Pueblo home | 96 Kidney-related | 114 Locomotive | 132 George I's predecessor |
| 44 ___ by land..." | 59 Wield | 77 Edison's Park | 80 Word-Cross's creator | 116 Lacking | 134 Diner sandwich |
| 45 Stretched the truth | 61 Walter Mitty specialty | 83 Geriatrics focus | 85 Cooing site | 98 "I Got You Babe," e.g. | 136 Heart ward: Abbr. |
| | 62 Wall Street business | 86 Polynesian nature god | 101 '88 Winter Olympics site | 100 European matgrass | 120 Xenon and radon |
| | | | | 122 Ballet practice rail | 137 <i>Night Court</i> DA |

PROVERB, SHMOVERB ★

BY ROBERT LEIGHTON

A picture is worth a proverbial thousand words, but in this proverbial puzzle it's worth only one. Each answer is a well-known saying, in which each word has been given a rhyme, and then

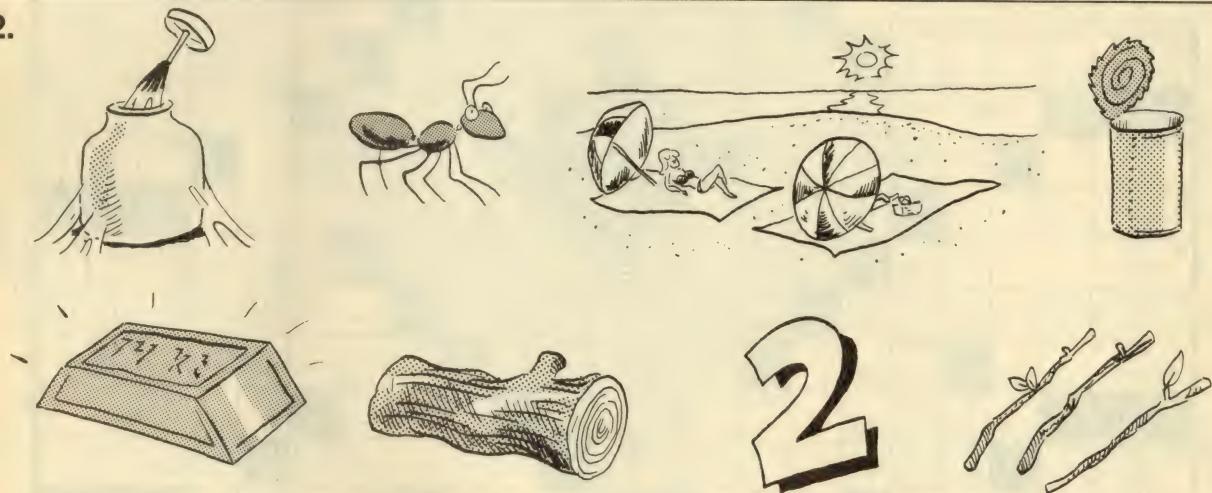
illustrated. The pictures are in the correct order of the words in the proverbs. Can you identify the pictures and then the sayings?

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THINGAMAJIGS

What the Heck Are These Whatsits Used For?

Someone is always inventing a product to fill a need—even if no one else realizes the need exists. A company called Amenity scours the country for this kind of ingenious item, selling it in turn to businesses for use as “incentive premiums”—free gifts for clients. On this page are some of these giveaways, but we’re not giving away what each gadget is used for. That’s for you to guess.

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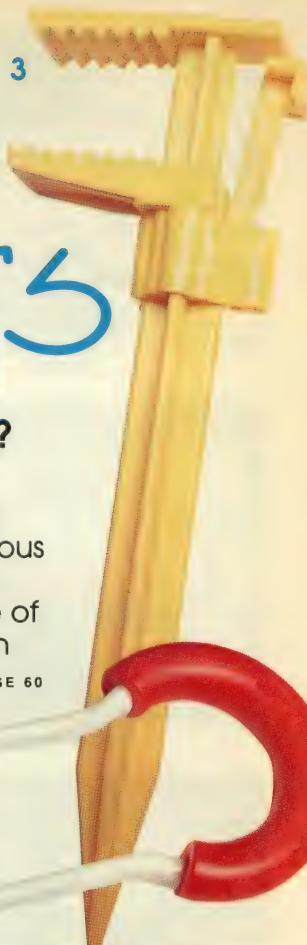
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OUTBURST



PERSONAL PREFERENCE



BACKWARDS



NOT NECESSARILY RUM



ZILLIONAIRE

BEST GAM

EDITED BY SCOTT MARLEY

Every holiday season since 1980, we've reviewed our favorite games of the year. It's a list we like to have handy when shopping for presents: A good game is a gift that will entertain for years. And of course we always end up getting a game or two for ourselves as well.

Most game companies found last Christmas's sales disappointing, and fewer new games than usual were introduced this year. Our list this year is therefore a little shorter than usual, but the games we included are as good as ever. (The best new video and computer games, by the way, will be covered next issue.) We think you'll find something to suit nearly every taste. Aunt Millie, who loves to talk about herself, will flip over Personal Preference. Your teenage cousins will have a blast with Tuba Ruba. And maybe the trumpeter upstairs will like playing Tuunes so much that you'll actually get a good night's sleep.

Retail prices given here are approximate, and will vary from store to store. Some games are also available by mail from their manufacturers. For these games, the price is followed by the abbreviation "ppd." (for "postpaid"). Mail order information appears on page 48.

Party games

In **Outburst** (Western Publishing, \$25, 2 teams), teammates have one minute to shout out words and phrases related to a topic, such as "Silent Movie Actresses," hoping to hit the 10 items listed on the card held by the other team. Four hundred two-sided topic cards are included. Any number can play—the more, the noisier. Though Outburst is easy to learn, many topics are too hard—and occasionally too spicy—for children.

Which do you prefer: radishes, Ted Koppel, increased defense spending, or going for a balloon ride? In **Personal Preference** (Broderbund, \$25, 4 or more players) you make your choices and then listen as your opponents try to

figure you out. At each turn, one player ranks four items from one of the four categories (Food and Drink, People, Activities, and Potpourri). Or they may have to rank one from each, which leads to odd and interesting discussions.

Along the path to the "University of Reversity" in **Backwords** (Random House, \$23, 3 to 8 players), you'll hear words like "noidrocca" and "detalumis." If you can mentally flip them and recognize "accordion" and "simulated," you're catching on to the point of this hilariously silly game. It's surprising—and a bit frightening—how quickly you can acquire the knack.

Cards and dice

Not Necessarily Rum (ShayGo Enterprises, \$12.99 ppd., 4 players) is like



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canasta on steroids. The hands are much bigger and the scores are higher, which makes for a very exciting game. You'll sometimes need both hands to hold all your cards, but nevertheless NNR moves briskly. It takes some thought to play but not all your concentration—it's the sort of game you can play while chatting.

Don't get too comfortable playing **Zillionaire** (Milton Bradley, \$8, 3 to 6 players)—after every deal, you switch places according to your score. Each turn you may play a card higher than the last card played, or pass if you can't play (or don't want to). But if you start a round with, say, a pair of ones, then only higher pairs can be played over it. Fives are wild, and can stand for any number of cards. The faster you get rid of all your cards, the more you score. A surprisingly skillful game, despite its light-hearted look.

Have you ever wanted to peek into an opponent's hand to see what suits he or she is holding? **Scan** (Parker Brothers, \$4, 2 to 6 players) lets you give in to temptation: The suits are marked on the back of the cards. You try to take spades and hearts in tricks, while avoiding diamonds and clubs. The trump suit changes at every trick, too. Scan is unpredictable from round to round, yet steady card sense will be rewarded in the long run.

Around the office here, the hands-down winner for "addictive game of the year" is **Liar's Dice** (Milton Bradley, \$13, 2 to 6 players). In this fast, noisy game of bluff, everyone starts by secretly rolling five dice. Then you take turns bidding on how many of a certain number are showing on everybody's dice. (We prefer to ignore the rule allowing

ing you to reroll some of your dice after your bid.) I wish I could tell you more, but we're about to start up another game.

Action

The old game of carroms requires much of the same dexterity and skill as billiards, but with one big advantage: It fits onto a card table. **Ricochet** (Torch Industries; wood set, \$69.95; other styles more; 2 or 4 players) is an attractive, sturdy carroms set that comes in several styles. Shown is the hard-plastic playing surface; a wood surface is also available.

Looking for a game that'll bring people closer together? **Tuba Ruba** (Milton Bradley, \$13, any number of players) will do it. Have someone wrap the long plastic tube round and round you and someone you want to know better. Then drop a marble in one end of the tube and get it out the other end as quickly as possible. If squirming and bending and even rolling on the floor together doesn't make you fast friends, nothing will.

Finance

Nowadays, stock market games tend to require a pocket calculator and plenty of bookkeeping. **The Wall Street Game** (American Games, \$32.50 ppd., 2 to 4 players), on the other hand, is highly unrealistic and great fun to play. Get broker cards and earn cash on the outer track, then enter the inner paths to buy and sell blocks of stock. A pleasant mix of chance and strategy determines the outcome, and you can



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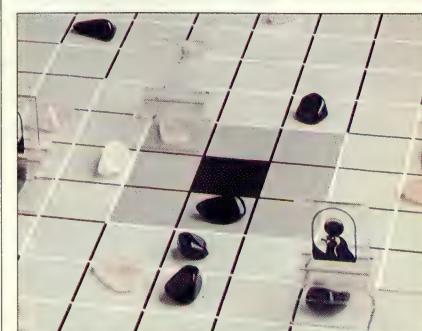
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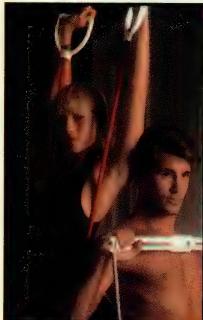


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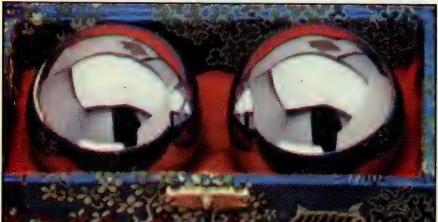
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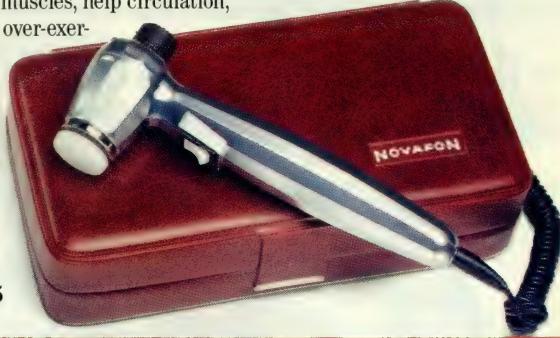
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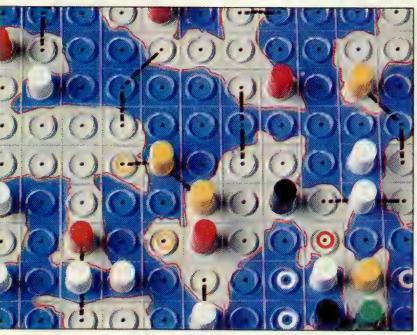
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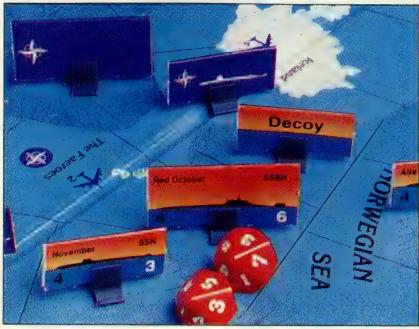
Noble House (FASA, \$25, or \$27 ppd., 2 to 5 players) and **Tai-Pan** (same price, 2 to 4 players) are based on the exotic James Clavell novels of the same names. In Noble House, you gamble on the stock market while acquiring and fulfilling lucrative contracts, trying to become the most powerful business leader in Hong Kong. The heart of the game, though, is the event cards. Players draw cards each turn and play them whenever they like, to bring advantages or disrupt opponents' operations. In Tai-Pan, you're a trader smuggling opium from India to Hong Kong, where you trade for tea, silk, and spices to sell in England. As in Noble House, players draw and play cards to change their fortunes, giving the game a skill element and unpredictability. Warning: Both games take nearly as long to play as the books do to read. Allow several hours.

Strategy

With its handsome equipment, **Stealth** (Keyline Falcon, \$24.95 ppd., 2 players) looks like a futuristic form of chess. Actually, it's simpler than checkers, but has some surprisingly subtle strategies. Guardians can move, but they can't capture or be captured. Drones move any number of spaces, but only in certain directions—and the directions are different for each drone. Maneuvering your drones to trap the enemy starship can be fascinatingly tricky.

Get across **Falcon's Maze** (Keyline Falcon, \$35 ppd., 2 players) by building a path of stepping-stones to the other side. Your two "scepters" jump from stone to stone, but an enemy stone in between will prevent the move. The stones are contrasting sets of semiprecious gemstones, making this not only an unusually interesting game but a beautiful collector's item as well.

Sail across the desert on your **Flying Carpet** (Ravensburger, \$28, 3 to 6 players), using the unusual deck of cards to help you avoid buildings and



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clouds. The higher you go, the more help you get from the wind, but don't get carried away: Your goal is to touch down on the finish square first. Planning ahead to use your cards efficiently is a must. (For a more skillful game, ignore the special die included, and the optional rule concerning it.)

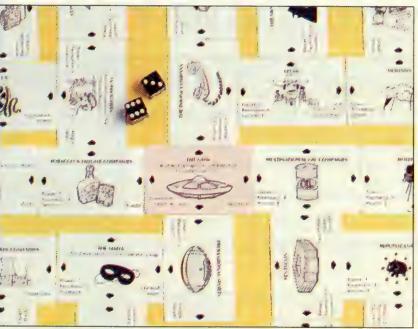
Moving pieces by die roll along a simple path—where's the strategy in that? In **Dorada** (Ravensburger, \$20, 2 to 4 players) you get more points for finishing last, and that makes all the difference. Try to progress as slowly as possible, but avoid the traps and other bad spaces. Land on an opponent's piece and his choices are restricted, maybe forcing him to make a disastrous move. The rules are simple, but the decisions are not.

Power struggles

Secretly select your plane's movement in **Screaming Eagles** (Milton Bradley, \$14, 2 to 4 players). Each plane's move is then revealed in turn. If you can maneuver your plane into position behind an enemy, you can use one of your weapons to shoot it; the closer you are, the better your chances of scoring a hit somewhere on the plane. The unusual wraparound board keeps the action going without a break.

Players move secretly in **Zomax** (Zomax, \$59.95 ppd., 2 players) on opposite sides of a board that stands up between them. The pieces—airplanes, tanks, and ships—are magnetic. If your piece moves to a space that an enemy piece also occupies, the magnetic repulsion knocks the enemy piece off the board, and your turn ends. The first player to reach his opponent's capital wins. It's a simple idea and a good one, with very attractive, sturdy equipment.

Like Noble House and Tai Pan above, **Shogun** (FASA, \$25, or \$27.50 ppd., 2 to 5 players) is a long but fascinating game based on a James Clavell novel. Each player is a Daimyo, one of the Council of Regents that rules Japan. Gain influence, invade provinces, and



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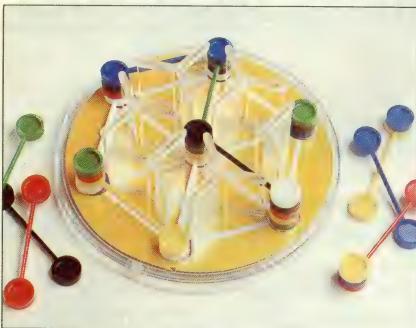
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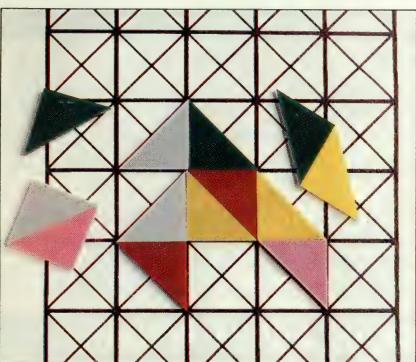
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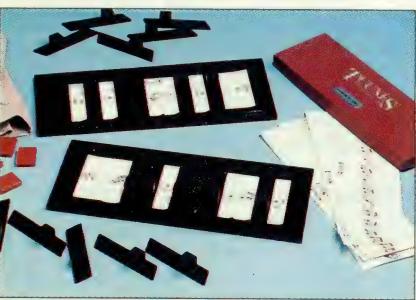
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War simulations

Tom Clancy's bestselling novel of high-tech naval conflict inspired **The Hunt for Red October** (TSR, \$20, 2 players). A clever system of detection is the key to this exciting, easy-to-play game. Eight scenarios range from the tense clash of arctic patrols to the hunt for the rogue Russian sub, Red October.

Harold Coyle's novel about armor combat in World War III inspired **Team Yankee** (Game Designers' Workshop, \$24, or \$26 ppd., 2 players). The information and rules covering modern U.S. and Soviet tanks are detailed, but they don't slow down the action.

The incredible detail and research that went into **Harpoon** (Game Designers' Workshop, \$20, or \$22 ppd., 2 or more players) should have the Pentagon and the Kremlin taking a look. This is a miniatures rules set, a boardless game where players maneuver metal or cardboard pieces in a complex, realistic simulation of modern naval warfare.

The German invasion of Mother Russia in World War II still fascinates wargamers. **Moscow 1941, The Enemy at the Gates** (TSR, \$20, 2 to 4 players) gives full measure to one of the key factors in the battle: weather. Mud, frozen ground, deep snow, and arctic conditions all bear down on the German invader.

Open Fire (Victory Games, \$32, or \$35.20 ppd., 1 player) adapts the playing system from the game Ambush! for this game of tank combat in World War II. There's more freedom of movement for your enemy in this game, though, and the six difficult missions reward careful choice of tanks and vehicles.

Both basic and advanced rules are included in **Lee vs. Grant** (Victory Games, \$20, or \$22 ppd., 2 players), as well as an introductory game that can be played in an hour. The setting is northern Virginia, 1864, when Grant engaged

Lee's army in an unsuccessful drive to end the war. Forced marches, routs, the burning of railroad stations, and the effectiveness of leaders all help determine the outcome of this bloody campaign.

Fantasy and science fiction

Does the Pentagon really control the Yuppies? Does the Phone Company own the Mafia? And are they all really pawns of UFOs? Build a secret power structure in **Illuminati, Deluxe Edition** (Steve Jackson Games, \$20, 2 to 8 players), a new boxed version of everyone's favorite game of conspiracy theories and paranoia.

Players search through Europe for you-know-who in **The Fury of Dracula** (Games Workshop, \$26, 2 to 6 players). You'll run into crazed underlings and other nasty surprises as you hunt. A screen keeps the location of Dracula and his coffin a secret.

Hokey Smokes, this is one roleplaying game you've got to have! **Bullwinkle and Rocky** (TSR, \$15, 2 to 8 players) lets you play Bullwinkle Moose, Boris Badenov, Dudley Do-Right, or even Horse, in the quest for the Kerwood Derby and other adventures. It comes complete with funny rules, useless hand puppets, diplomas from Wassamotta U., and a handy guide to Frostbite Falls.

We've always suspected there was something wrong with teens. The role-playing game **Teenagers From Outer Space** (R. Talsorian Games and TOR Books, \$10, 2 or more players) proposes that some of them are aliens, ready to party on Earth—the "Fun Planet." They can create clones to stand in at history class while they grow an extra arm for a volleyball game. Rules are included explaining how to create "Your Very Own Teenager."

Renegade Legion: Interceptor (FASA, \$25, or \$27.50 ppd., 2 to 4 players) deals with a now-familiar theme: a rebel alliance fighting a galactic Imperium. This space opera boardgame is flavored with allusions to that other fa-



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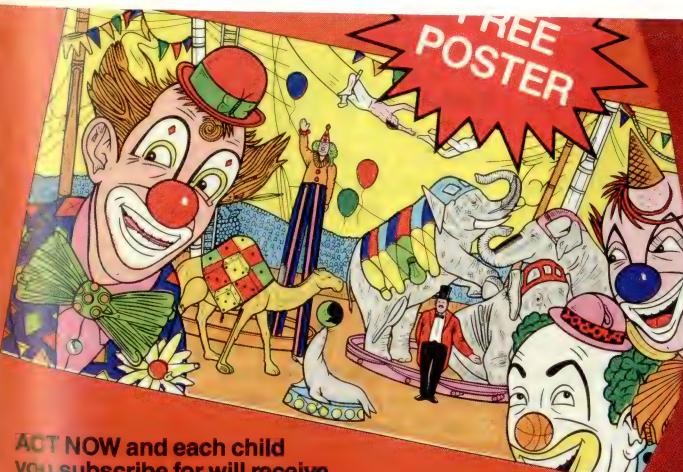
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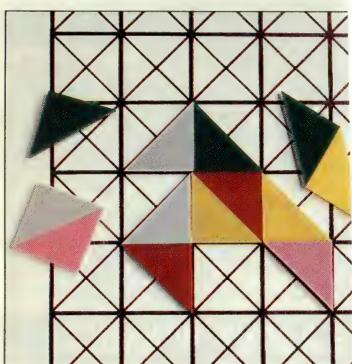
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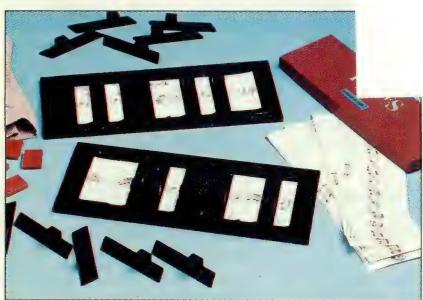
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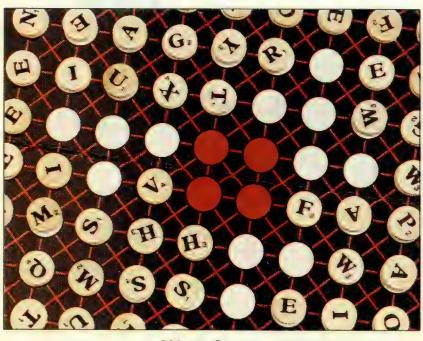
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TRIANGLES



TUNES



WORD SEARCH

play karma cards as you execute your political and military plans to dominate Japan and become Shogun.

War simulations

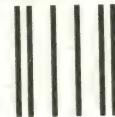
Tom Clancy's bestselling novel of high-tech naval conflict inspired **The Hunt for Red October** (TSR, \$20, 2 players). A clever system of detection is the key to this exciting, easy-to-play game. Eight scenarios range from the tense clash of arctic patrols to the hunt for the rogue Russian sub, Red October.

Harold Coyle's novel about armor combat in World War III inspired **Team**

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extra arm for a volleyball game. Rules are included explaining how to create "Your Very Own Teenager."

Renegade Legion: Interceptor

(FASA, \$25, or \$27.50 ppd., 2 to 4 players) deals with a now-familiar theme: a rebel alliance fighting a galactic Imperium. This space opera boardgame is flavored with allusions to that other fa-



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CLUE MASTER DETECTIVE

mous empire, Rome and its world-conquering legions, and you can even personalize your ships with small stickers as they score hits.

In **Blood Bowl** (Games Workshop, \$25, 2 players)—a wacky English fantasy game based on American football—orc, skeletons, and other players are free to carry out any illegal moves necessary to get that touchdown. This new version comes with 32 plastic Blood Bowlers, an expanded rule book, and an “Astrogranite” playing surface. This is one game where player injuries are not a concern.

An innovative combat system and ingenious tricks and traps make **Dungeonequest** (Games Workshop, \$30, 1 to 4 players) the best of the many boardgames based on crawling through dungeons. Hack and slash your way past gruesome baddies to treasure guarded by a sleeping dragon.

When Thomas Edison took his ether flyer to Mars, it opened a world of Martian Princes and winding canals to British colonization. **Sky Galleons of Mars** (Game Designers' Workshop, \$30, 2 players) comes with two atmospheric maps of Mars, plastic sky galleons, combat rules and background info about the golden days of space exploration during the reign of Queen Victoria.

Conan Doyle's novel *The Lost World*—and numerous dinosaur hunting movies—inspired **Dinosaurs of the Lost World** (Avalon Hill, \$20, 1 to 4 players). In this delightful game, illustrated adventures are triggered by discoveries on a lost plateau. The simple but challenging game system includes combat and chases, but the goal is scientific research—and getting off the plateau alive.

Puzzles

Eight plain black cubes make up **Force Field** (Mattel, \$11). Hidden inside the cubes are magnets that can make the cubes stick together or repel each other. There's only one way to form a large cube that will stay together in any

position. A little trial and error will reveal a lot about the cubes. But because the cubes are identical, half the puzzle is remembering which is which.

Level Q (I.Q., \$16, or \$17.54 ppd.) is a novel puzzle from a new company. Arrange the barbell-like sticks so that each column contains one chip of each color, and no stick is directly above any other stick. There is a logical way to solve it, but it's not easy to find.

Triangoes (Kadon; acrylic set shown, \$75 ppd; also available in wood, \$65 ppd., 1 to 6 players) is a set of all the shapes you can make out of one or two half-squares, each half-square being one of five colors. There are 80 pieces in all, which are used for dozens of elegant geometric puzzles. Rules are also included for 15 games. The beautiful and practically indestructable pieces are of laser-cut acrylic.

Odds and ends

We've only seen one really outstanding new word game this year, alas. But it's a dandy. In **Wordsearch** (Pressman, \$9, 2 to 4 players) players take turns sliding one or more tiles to form a word. A tile may be slid once along any straight line, and only letters that are used in the word being formed may be moved. The scoring system neatly balances the rewards for making a long word and for using unusual letters.

Tunes (Burksongs, \$32.95 ppd., 2 players or teams; orchestral themes supplement \$12.75 ppd.) is a fascinating game of musical hangman. Each turn you draw a chip from a bag, uncover the corresponding beat of music on your opponent's rack, and try to name the hidden melody. You don't have to be a musician to play, though one person on each team must be able to sightread music. Fifty melodies from American culture are included, and a supplement is available.

Longtime fans of the game Clue may frown at some of the new rules in **Clue Master Detective** (Parker Brothers, \$20, 2 to 10 players), but they really do work. There are more suspects, more weapons, and more rooms, and the new rules mean your old strategies won't necessarily work any more. For a much longer and deliciously complicated game, diehard purists can follow the rules of the old game while using the new equipment.

The vogue for trivia games is winding down, but **I Bet I Know** (Janecor, \$30, or \$33 ppd., 2 to 6 players or teams) still finds a few new twists. You roll a large 12-sided die to choose the category for your question. After seeing the cate-



I BET I KNOW

gory, you can decide what level of difficulty to try for. The higher the level, the greater the reward. If your opponents don't think you'll get it right, they can play their challenge cards and earn the value of the question if you miss it. But get it right and they'll lose a turn or a chip.

The war simulation, fantasy, and science fiction game reviews are by Matthew Costello. Other reviews are by Scott Marley; several of these are based on longer reviews by Burt Hochberg, Sid Sackson, and R. Wayne Schmittberger that have appeared this year.

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EVENTS

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design and pinball design. An exhibit hall will be open throughout the weekend. The tournament, which drew 500 people last year, has an entry fee of \$5. CONTACT: Rob Berk, 26-71 Youngstown Rd., Warren, OH 44484, or call (216) 369-1192.

RALLYE The Great Gatsby Society of Long Island will sponsor a road rallye October 1. At each of ten checkpoints along the way, cars will receive a story, a map, and a set of clues. All finishing cars will be eligible to enter a raffle for a two carat diamond. Approximately 500 cars are expected to pay the \$50 entry fee, which will go to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. A huge tailgate party will end the day's festivities. CONTACT: The National Multiple Sclerosis Society at (516) 421-3857.

SCRABBLE The Ninth Annual Lubbock Scrabble Tournament will be held October 15-16, at the Paragon Hotel, in Lubbock, Texas. Prizes will be awarded in Novice, Competitive, and Expert divisions. The entry fee is \$16 in advance, and \$18 at the door. CONTACT: Mary Lou Thurman, 2627 24th Street, Lubbock, TX 79410, or call (806) 744-7702.

WORD WEEKEND The Wonderful World of Words, a weekend of puzzles, language and word games, "Upwords" tournament, and other competitions, conducted by GAMES Contributing Editor Gloria Rosenthal, will take place November 11-13, at the Mohonk Mountain House, in New Paltz, New York. Guest speakers will include Barry Farber, Maura Jacobson, and GAMES Senior Editor Will Shortz, who will lead "Brain Games." CONTACT: Mohonk Mountain House, Lake Mohonk, New Paltz, NY 12561, or call (914) 255-1000, or (212) 233-2244. Specify "Word Weekend."

NOVEMBER DAY OF THE MONTH: NOVEMBER 25

After stuffing yourself with turkey and cranberry sauce on Thanksgiving, you probably will not want to go back to work the next day. That is why "You're Welcomegiving Day" was created. Its sole purpose is to create a four-day weekend. So, take the day off from work, relax, and thank yourself for enjoying "You're Welcomegiving Day." CONTACT: Richard Ankli, Broadway Fun Spot, 639 Fifth St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

DUCK CALLING The 53rd World's Championship Duck Calling contest will take place November 25-26, in Stuttgart, Arkansas. As part of the Wings Over the Prairie Festival, 50 regional winners will have 90 seconds to do four calls: mating, hail, feed, and come back. The champion

will win a \$4,000 savings bond, a diamond ring, and many other duck calling-related prizes. Over 30,000 people will attend the festival, which also includes the Junior World Contest, the Women's World Contest, the Grand Prairie Beauty Pageant, and a duck call swap and shop. CONTACT: Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 932, Stuttgart, AR 72160, or call (501) 673-1602.

GAMES FAIR New York City's Roosevelt Hotel will be bustling with game manufacturers, inventors, promoters, and producers when The New York Games Fair comes to town November 11-13. Game buffs can play and buy many board games and computer games, as well as see prototypes of games in production. Seminars on game design and production,

and game competitions will also take place during the weekend. CONTACT: The New York Games Fair, Suite 1121, 122 E. 42nd St., New York, NY 10168, or call (212) 986-3469.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE Hansel and Gretel could have a field day at the Peddler's Village Gingerbread Contest in Lahaska, Pennsylvania. Over \$5,500 will be awarded to houses in four categories: Authentic Reproduction of a Significant Building, Best Victorian House, Extraordinary Christmas Village, and Most Unusual. A \$10 entry fee is due by November 8; houses will be displayed from November 23 through December 31. CONTACT: Gingerbread Contest, Peddler's Village, Box 218, Lahaska, PA 18931, or call (215) 794-7055.

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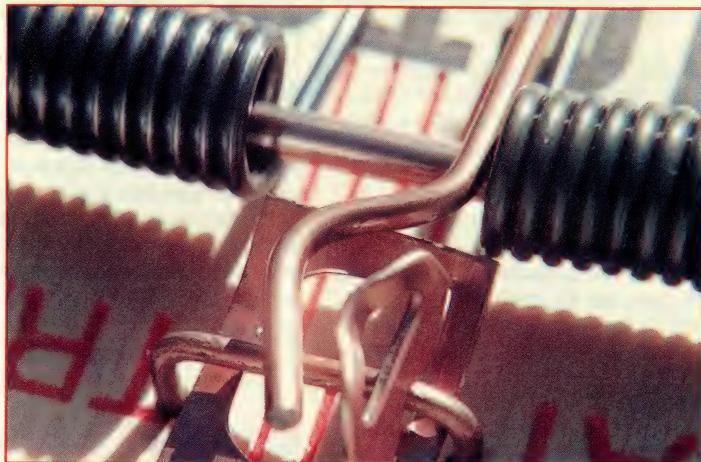
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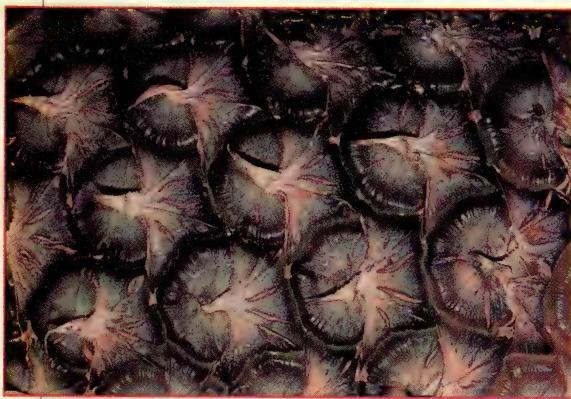
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Clues

1. Dry spell
2. Snap reaction
3. On the dole
4. Looking drawn
5. Shadowy character
6. Head case
7. Don't cry for me

WILD CARDS

EDITED BY MIKE SHENK

IN OTHER WORDS FOREIGN SOIL

While most of us are reasonably familiar with the name Guatemala, we'd be hard-pressed to identify exactly what it means—it's Mayan for "place of wooden pillars." Similarly, the place names below should be familiar, but the original meanings of the names may not be. Can you correctly pair the place names (1-20) with the English translations (a-t)?

1. Argentina
2. Austria
3. Bahamas
4. Barbados
5. Buenos Aires
6. Costa Rica
7. Curacao
8. Cyprus
9. Ecuador
10. El Salvador
11. Hong Kong
12. Khartoum
13. La Paz
14. Santiago
15. Sierra Leone
16. Singapore
17. Sudan
18. Thailand
19. Trinidad
20. Venezuela

- a. Bearded
- b. City of lions
- c. Copper
- d. Eastern empire
- e. Elephant trunk
- f. Equator
- g. Fragrant streams
- h. Good airs
- i. Heart
- j. Land of the free
- k. Little Venice
- l. Mountain of the lions
- m. Rich coast
- n. Shallow reef
- o. Silver
- p. St. James
- q. The Blacks
- r. The peace
- s. The Saviour
- t. The Trinity

—W.H. Scarbrough



TEASERS YES, NO, OR MAYBE

Answer each of the following questions with "yes," "no," or "maybe."

1. What word precedes the name *Giorgio* in the title of Luciano Pavarotti's flop film of 1982?
2. What couldn't *Ado Annie* say in the long-running Broadway hit *Oklahoma!*?
3. What did Buddy Holly and the Crickets say to his "Baby" in a 1958 song?
4. What do the Japanese call their dramatic theater?
5. What one word can be translated into two different foreign-language equivalents that, when combined, form the name of a popular fortune-telling board?
6. What rock band had a #1 hit in 1984 with "Owner of a Lonely Heart"?

—Stephanie Spadaccini

FOR THE RECORD K RATIONS

Each of the numbers below is commonly used as a measure of something—the question is, just what is each a measure of?

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| 64K | 24K |
| 25-35K | |
| 10K | 273K |

—Kim Weill

TRIVIA SUPPORTING CAST

While the lead characters in a TV series may get all the attention, they're usually given ample support by a number of secondary characters, who are often overlooked. Can you identify the series that featured each of the following trios of supporting roles?

1. Miss Landers, Lumpy Rutherford, Eddie Haskell
2. Gordy Howard, Georgette Franklin, Chuckles the Clown
3. Igor, Dr. Sidney Freedman, Nurse Kellye
4. Roy Coffee, Hop Sing, Dusty Rhodes
5. Kevin Riley, Nurse Christine Chapel, Yeoman Janice Rand
6. Inspector Frank Luger, Sgt. Chano Amengual, Officer Carl Levitt
7. Skippy Handleman, Nick Moore, Ellen Reed
8. Sam Fujiyama, Dr. Robert Astin, Sgt. Brill
9. Quint Asper, Newly O'Brien, Thad Greenwood
10. Izzy Moreno, Detective Stan Switek, Caroline Crockett
11. Carrie Sharples, Tommy Hyatt, Eliot Novak
12. Mamie Baldwin, Reverend Matthew Fordwick, Ike Godsey

—Steven Wienke

TRIVIA**MOVIE GREATS**

There have been many great roles in the movies, but none quite so explicitly great as the title roles at right. Can you match each "great" movie title (1-9) with the actor (a-j) who played the title role?

—Chaim Fleischman

1. *The Great Caruso*
2. *The Great Dictator*
3. *The Great Impostor*
4. *The Great Lover*
5. *The Great Profile*
6. *The Great Santini*
7. *The Great Waldo Pepper*
8. *The Great White Hope*
9. *The Great Ziegfeld*

- a. John Barrymore
- b. Charlie Chaplin
- c. Tony Curtis
- d. Robert Duvall
- e. Bob Hope
- f. James Earl Jones
- g. Mario Lanza
- h. William Powell
- i. Robert Redford

LOOK**DRAWING ROOM**

This quiz may test your drawing ability as well as your memory. In the box at right, can you draw a cartoon character who has: Beetle Bailey's eyes, Shoe's chin, Cathy's nose, Henry's mouth, and Ziggy's hair?

—Robert Leighton

**LOGIC****ROCK HUNTING**

Rock star Stone Carat recently reported the theft of some valuable jewelry. When Detective Roxanne Gold asked Mr. Carat to describe the stolen articles, he made the following statement:

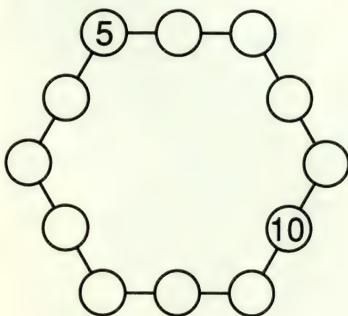
"All the pieces were set with gorgeous jewels, but it's hard to remember which piece had which gems. I've got so much stuff, y'know? But I'm sure that all the pieces had more than one kind of jewel, except for the ring and one other piece, I forget which. The brooch had more kinds of jewels than any of the other pieces—it was the only one containing sapphires. It didn't have any diamonds, though, and neither did the necklace. But everything else did—lots of 'em on the clip. All the items except the ring and one other piece had pearls. I remember seeing rubies on either the brooch or the tiara, but not both. One piece—I'm not sure whether it was the brooch, the tiara, or something else—had rubies and diamonds. There was one kind of jewel, I forget which, that was on both the necklace and the tiara. That's all I remember, though I'm sure I've mentioned each piece and each kind of gem."

Can you help Detective Gold get an accurate description of the stolen pieces?

—Bob Stanton

NUMBER PLAY**MAGIC HEXAGON**

The numbers 1 to 12 can be placed in the circles below so that the total of the three numbers on each side is 19. Two numbers have been placed to get you started.



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

—Karen Nimmons

FOR THE RECORD**HAWAIIAN PUNCH**

The Hawaiian language is said to be very musical, probably because its alphabet contains only 12 letters. Can you name them? (Hint: Make a list of as many Hawaiian place names, foods, articles of clothing, etc., as you can.)

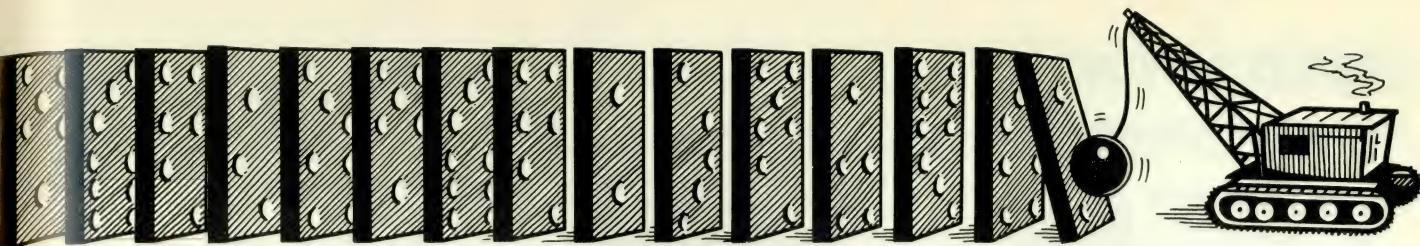
—Fraser Simpson

TEASERS**CALL TO ORDER**

Can you determine what the eighth letter in this series will be?

F S T F F S S _

—Robert Leighton

**TOUGH NUTS****LITERAL TRANSLATION**

Can you find the unique rearrangement of the letters in the word REARRANGEMENTS that fits the following rules?

1. No letter retains its original position (e.g., neither the first, fourth, nor fifth letter can be an R).
2. No three consecutive letters are the same in their new positions; additionally, at most one vowel is followed by itself, as is at most one consonant.
3. No letter, with the possible exception of R, retains any of its original neighboring letters (e.g., T cannot be next to N or S).
4. The G is neither replaced by an N nor resituated next to an R.

—Virginia McCarthy

FOR THE RECORD**A STITCH IN TIME**

The following story is not entirely factual. Indeed, a number of items mentioned are anachronisms, yet to be invented in 1888 when the story takes place. Can you separate these ahead-of-their-time items from those actually available to Lewis Carroll?

Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, alias Lewis Carroll, was busy typing the first draft of his *Curiosa Mathematica* when the telephone rang. It was his editor, Mr. Finch, calling from London.

"Did you get my telegram?" he asked Carroll.

"Yes," said the writer, "and I'm very dissatisfied with the profit-sharing provisions which you put forth."

"You are? Well, let's do this. Send me a carbon copy of your writing so far for your mathematics book. In addition, why don't you staple a note to the manuscript stating what you'd like to see changed in the old-age

NUMBER PLAY**CLOSE, BUT . . .**

Four reporters were working overtime to finish their stories when a woman selling cigars entered the newsroom. The first reporter bought half of her cigars plus one. The second reporter bought half of the remaining cigars plus one. Likewise, the third reporter bought half of the

remaining cigars plus one. And too, the last reporter bought half the remaining cigars plus one, leaving the vendor with an empty box. How many cigars did the box hold when the vendor originally entered the newsroom?

—Louis Phillips

WORDPLAY**GARDEN VARIETY**

Each set of blanks at right can be filled in with the name of a common fruit or vegetable to get a longer word. For example, given the letters GR____D, you could fill in APPLE to make the word GRAPPLED. Can you pick the right fruits and vegetables to solve the nine examples?

—N. M. Meyer

1. D O G _____ H T
2. U N S _____ K A B L E
3. I N U N _____ D
4. _____ E R S T O N E
5. S _____ M I N T
6. M I L _____ T E R
7. I M _____ M E N T
8. _____ M E T
9. B O _____ C K

pension plan I outlined?"

After hanging up, Carroll went down the corridor to the coffee-vending machine. He decided to take it black and returned to his office, where he placed the styrofoam cup on his desk. Leaning back in his swivel chair, Carroll lit a Passing Clouds cigarette, and then used the intercom to summon his personal clerk. He'd hired Jamison, for minimum wage, in order to lighten his own workload.

"Take this letter," said Carroll. Jamison, an expert at shorthand, was already prepared, with a pad and ballpoint pen at his knee. Carroll toyed with a rubber band as he dictated.

"Dear Mr. Finch, . . . I deeply regret that I wish to end all business relations with you due to the lack of respect you appear to have for me and my work. I resent the way you put your rubber stamp on everything that

is put forth to you by the publishing house in London. I will, however, finish my obligation to you under our present contract, that is, to complete the book on which I am working. Your servant, et cetera, et cetera."

"Is that it?" asked Jamison.

"Yes, that's it. Please make a mimeograph copy of the letter when you've typed it, and give me the original. I want to lick the postage stamp and mail it myself."

As Jamison left the office, Carroll took the tape recorder from underneath his desk and made a note to himself to clear out all his papers from the premises by the end of the week. He stared at the glass paperweight on his desk. Ironic, he thought, that Mr. Finch had bought the paperweight for Carroll so that none of his papers would fly off his desk.

—Adrienne Bürgi

CONTEST RESULTS

FROM JULY HIT THE JACKPOT

We really had to mind our q's and q's as we sorted through the record-breaking number of entrants for a GAMES word contest. About three-quarters of the 20,000 entries were words that contained two Q's, the highest scoring letter on our dartboard cover. For the contest, up to four different consonants were chosen and as many vowels as necessary were added to make a word. Scores were calculated by adding up the value of each consonant according to its location on the dartboard (plus points for each "bull's-eye," when darts were left after all necessary consonants were hit) and then multiplied by the number of letters in the word. Almost all of the words had scores over 800, and with a prize of \$1 for each point, it is not surprising that this was one of the most popular contests in GAMES's history.

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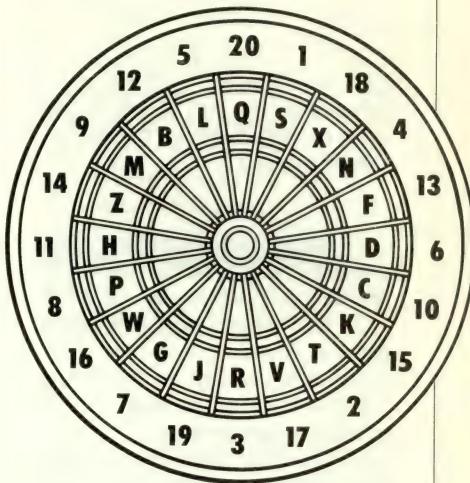
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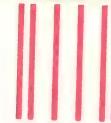
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1. By covering the sheet with paraffin, it yielded a luster to the worker **skilking**. (8)
2. If the girls look promising, let one try out for the team. (9)
3. The sound of the bird in Handel's oratorio left me bewildered. (6)
4. Seven visitors remained in part of New England. (5)
5. The darkness had everyone scared. (5)
6. Ray, the clean-up man, described the circus to Diana. (9)
7. The hungry fox encircled the sleeping farm animals. (4)
8. We discussed a political theory of freedom in our philosophy class. (6)
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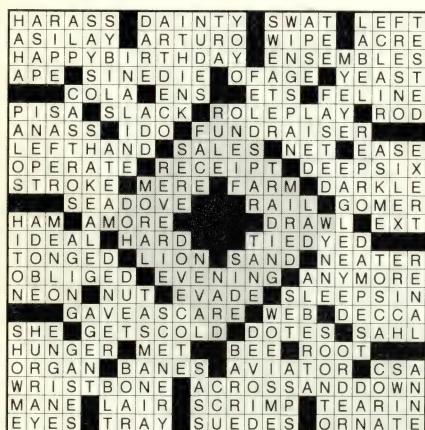
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ANSWERS

30 DSZQUPHSBNT!

- CRYPTOON. "Very sorry, sir....This lifetime warranty clearly states it's only valid for the life of the watch."
- THAT'S IT? Success to me is having ten honeydew melons and eating only the top half of each one—Barbra Streisand
- WRONG SIZE. A cheerful clerk sits at the Christmas gift exchange counter, wishing everyone many "happy returns."
- I'LL TOO. The new spelling bee champ, sent shopping by her mom, can't find "Froot Loops," "Ty-D-bol," or "Reddi wip."
- NIGHT VISION. Old man places toupee, bifocals, and dentures on table before bed; nearsighted wife thinks his head has fallen off.
- JUSTICE? Jaded judge jolts jury, jabbering, "Just jeer jaywalkers, jail johns, jettison junkies."
- LOOK AT THE TIME! Showy child belts lousy tunes while proud folks nudge weary guest, "Aren't these great, Frank?"

36 ANNIVERSARY PRESENT



31 J'ACCUSE!



25 LEADING MEN

- Manhattan
- Mannequin
- Mandrell
- Mandarin
- Manitoba
- Manacles
- Manicure
- Manchester
- Mandolin
- Manchuria
- Mansfield
- Manuscript
- Mandela
- Manilow

28 CRYPTO-MATES

- Bugle bulge
- Pirates traipse
- Crooner coroner
- Throw worth (\$100, of course)
- Host shot
- Cobbler clobber
- Squatter quartets
- Large regal lager

32 DOUBLE CROSS

- WHITE CHRISTMAS
- EDGAR DEGAS
- IN OUR TIME
- NEGOTIATES
- TEMPLE OWLS
- RANCH
- ALLEGTON
- UMBRELLA
- BASSO
- LITTLE JOHN
- OCULT
- NAIROBI
- DECADE
- OLDEST
- NETHER
- YEARNING
- AFTER THE FALL
- NACHOS
- KEESHOND
- EDWIN NEWMAN
- EROTICA
- SHOAH

British General Buller's incompetence [tickled James McNeill] Whistler ... When he was told of the general's boast that on one occasion he had retreated without losing a man, a flag, or a cannon, [Whistler] added "Yes, or a minute."—(Stanley) Weintraub, *(The) London Yankees*

26 DIGITITIS

Puzzle 1

$$\begin{array}{r}
 9889 \\
 115 \overline{) 1137235} \\
 \underline{1035} \\
 1022 \\
 \underline{920} \\
 1023 \\
 \underline{920} \\
 1035 \\
 \underline{1035} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Puzzle 2

$$\begin{array}{r}
 38052 \\
 29 \overline{) 1103508} \\
 \underline{87} \\
 233 \\
 \underline{232} \\
 150 \\
 145 \\
 \underline{58} \\
 58 \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Puzzle 3

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2143009 \\
 213 \overline{) 456460917} \\
 \underline{426} \\
 304 \\
 \underline{213} \\
 916 \\
 \underline{852} \\
 640 \\
 \underline{639} \\
 1917 \\
 \underline{1917} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

Puzzle 4

$$\begin{array}{r}
 91272 \\
 37 \overline{) 3377064} \\
 \underline{333} \\
 47 \\
 37 \\
 100 \\
 74 \\
 266 \\
 \underline{259} \\
 74 \\
 74 \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 1

ACROSS

- 1 Climber (limber + C)
- 5 Tempter (temper + t)
- 9 Impel (lie + M.P.)
- 10 Sex appeal (ape's ex-pal)
- 11 Candid (can + did)
- 12 Adherent (ad + he + rent)
- 14 Determining (deter mining)
- 18 Segregation (Saint George)
- 21 Islander (I + slander)
- 23 Review (we're + VI)
- 25 Miserable (bares + mile)
- 26 Iraqi (I + R + A + Q + I)
- 27 Teacher (tea + Cher)
- 28 Sheathe (joyous HEATHENS)

DOWN

- 1 Coincide (coin + cider - r)
- 2 Impunity (imp + unity)
- 3 Billiards (Bill + raids)
- 4 Rest (two meanings)
- 5 Taxi driver (tax + ID + river)
- 6 Maple (pa + elm)
- 7 Tiered (tie + red)
- 8 Relate (R + elate)
- 13 Singles bar (bring sales)
- 15 Grapevine (gave in per)
- 16 Militant (M + I + lit + ant.)
- 17 Snow tire (O + winters; and lit.)
- 19 Kismet (K + is + met)
- 20 Alaska (alas + k + a)
- 22 North (noN-ORTHogonal)
- 24 Zeus (Suez)

33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 2

ACROSS

- 1 Foil (two meanings)
- 3 Slingshots (this song's + L)
- 9 Ashamed (am + a shed)
- 11 Clutter (L + cutter)
- 12 Tuber (rebut)
- 13 Iceberg (big Cree)
- 15 Rotting (trotting - t)
- 16 Strange (St. + range)
- 18 Nearing (in anger)
- 21 Glimpse (limps + GE)
- 23 Austria (Au + St. + air)
- 25 Weave (we've)
- 27 Crystal (salt + cry)
- 28 Layered (relayed)
- 29 Sternwards (stern + wards)
- 30 Ream (two meanings)

DOWN

- 1 Flattering (fling + hatter - h)
- 2 Inhabit (in + habit)
- 4 Lodging (dig + long)
- 5 Nucleus (UN + clue's)
- 6 Sauté (Several Apples Until They Enlarge)
- 7 Octagon (can go to)
- 8 Surf (serf)
- 10 Martini (martin + I)
- 14 Referendum (refer + end + um)
- 17 Railway (tRAILWAYS)
- 19 Analyze (an + lazy + E)
- 20 Gorilla (guerrilla)
- 21 Gnarled (rang + led)
- 22 Prairie (rapier I)
- 24 Set on (notes)
- 26 Acts (cast)

38 PROVERB, SHMOVERB

1. A stitch in time saves nine. (Tray, witch, chin, dime, waves, Stein)
2. You can't teach an old dog new tricks. (Glue, ant, beach, can, gold, log, two, sticks)
3. People who live in glass houses should not throw stones. (Steeple, shoe, sieve, pin, grass, blouses, hood, pot, hoe, bones)

18 THE ART OF THE STEAL

There is a major inconsistency in Swarthmore's story. If she had been putting away the jewelry when she was hit over the head, it would have been impossible for anyone to have sneaked up behind her: She would have seen the thief's reflection in the mirror. Moreover, if she had been hit by the vase from behind, the fragments would have been scattered behind and in front of her. In reality, most pieces are closer to the dresser, indicating the vase had either been smashed against the dresser's

edge or thrown against the floor in front of the dresser. Finally, eagle-eyed detectives might notice that the brooch had been stuck into the garbage art on the wall, where Swarthmore placed it, hoping to retrieve it later. Unfortunately for Swarthmore, the New York detectives used the same deductive reasoning and were eagle-eyed. In court, Swarthmore's lawyer's arguments weren't artful enough to save her from a stiff jail sentence.

WILD CARD ANSWERS

FOREIGN SOIL

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1-o, Silver | 12-e, Elephant trunk |
| 2-d, Eastern empire | 13-r, The peace |
| 3-n, Shallow reef | 14-p, St. James |
| 4-a, Bearded | 15-l, Mountain of the lions |
| 5-h, Good airs | 16-b, City of lions |
| 6-m, Rich coast | 17-q, The Blacks |
| 7-i, Heart | 18-j, Land of the free |
| 8-c, Copper | 19-t, The Trinity |
| 9-f, Equator | 20-k, Little Venice |
| 10-s, The Saviour | 11-g, Fragrant streams |

YES, NO, OR MAYBE

1. Yes (Yes, Giorgio)
2. No ("I Cain't Say No")
3. Maybe ("Maybe Baby")
4. No (also spelled "noh")
5. Yes (the French *oui* and the German *ja*, making Ouija)
6. Yes

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| 2. <i>The Mary Tyler Moore Show</i> | 8. <i>Quincy, M.E.</i> |
| 3. <i>M*A*S*H</i> | 9. <i>Gunsmoke</i> |
| 4. <i>Bonanza</i> | 10. <i>Miami Vice</i> |
| 5. <i>Star Trek</i> | 11. <i>Alice</i> |
| 6. <i>Barney Miller</i> | 12. <i>The Waltons</i> |

MOVIE GREATS

- 1-g, Mario Lanza
- 2-b, Charlie Chaplin
- 3-c, Tony Curtis
- 4-e, Bob Hope
- 5-a, John Barrymore
- 6-d, Robert Duvall
- 7-i, Robert Redford
- 8-f, James Earl Jones
- 9-h, William Powell

DRAWING ROOM

The box should be empty. The cartoon characters mentioned are never drawn with the specified features.

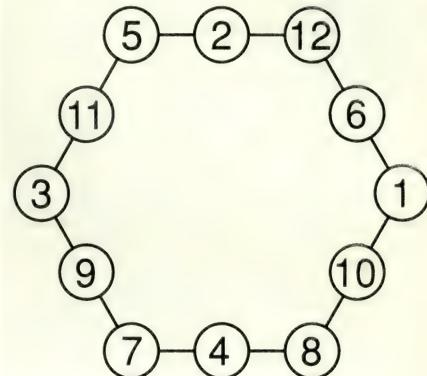
HAWAIIAN PUNCH

The Hawaiian alphabet contains the letters A, E, H, I, K, L, M, N, O, P, U, and W.

ROCK HUNTING

The stolen pieces are: a ring containing diamonds; a brooch with rubies, pearls, and sapphires; a necklace with pearls; a tiara with diamonds and pearls; and a clip with diamonds and rubies.

MAGIC HEXAGON



CALL TO ORDER

The next letter is E. The series consists of the initial letters of the sequence First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth.

LITERAL TRANSLATION

The correct arrangement is: ETEESNRRNRNMAGA.

CLOSE, BUT . . .

The box originally held 30 cigars.

GARDEN VARIETY

| | | |
|---------|---------|----------|
| 1. Fig | 4. Corn | 7. Peach |
| 2. Pea | 5. Pear | 8. Plum |
| 3. Date | 6. Lime | 9. Okra |

A STITCH IN TIME

The anachronisms (with the approximate dates they became available) are:

Profit-sharing (1890)
Old-age pensions (1891)
Coffee-vending machines (1891)
Styrofoam cups (1945)
Intercom systems (1911)
Minimum wage (1894)
Ballpoint pens (1938)
Tape recorders (1929)

Other items mentioned that would have been available to Carroll (though he may never have actually used them) are:

Typewriters (1868)
Telephone installation (1877)
Telegrams (1843)
Carbon paper (1806)
Staplers (1868)
Swivel chairs (1860)
Passing Clouds cigarettes (1874)
Shorthand (1588)
Rubber bands (1845)
Rubber stamps (1864)
Mimeograph machines (1887)
Adhesive postage stamps (1840)
Glass paperweights (1845)

20 OFF AND RUNNING

1. a. James Monroe had no opponent in 1820, but one elector voted for John Quincy Adams anyway.
 2. b. The 202 votes made Johnson the Democratic primary winner, which in Texas at that time meant certain election to the Senate. The derisive nickname "Landslide Lyndon" came from his opponents.
 3. a. Citizens of the District of Columbia couldn't vote for president, having no electoral votes (despite the fact it had a bigger population than several states). This was corrected beginning in 1964.
 4. a. In Taylor's day it wasn't unusual to send letters postage due, but the war hero received so many that he left orders that all be sent straight to the dead letter office. A second letter with proper postage was sent later.
 5. b. Victoria Woodhull was languishing in cell 11 of New York's Ludlow Street jail on these flimsy charges when she heard that she not only lost the election but didn't get any votes.
 6. Whistle Stop I: 1. (e) Lyndon Johnson said he would not send troops to Vietnam, yet he ended up doing just that. 2. (a) Ike, like many before and since, changed his attitude about becoming president. 3. (b) FDR built up U.S. military strength even as he countered charges he was pushing the country into war. 4. (d) Harry S. Truman became famous for his emphatic speech-making on his whistle-stop tour across the country in 1948. 5. (c) Coolidge was known as "Silent Cal."
 7. a. Washington, as was the custom, provided refreshments for the voters. These included 28 gallons of rum punch, 34 gallons of wine, 46 gallons of beer, and two gallons of cider for the 391 voters. He won.
 8. d. Before an 1845 law was passed, the date of election day varied widely from state to state.
 9. b. Although many presidents have had far from joyous reactions to the sobering thoughts of the

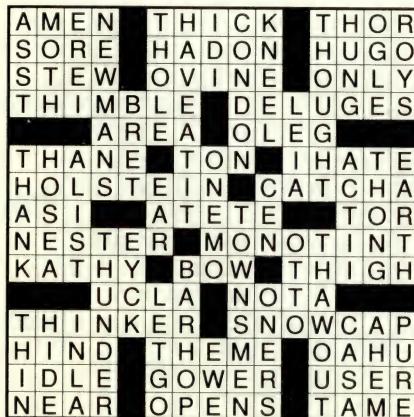
burdens of the office, none has turned down the position after winning it.
 10. c. Garfield wanted to say that he wasn't a candidate, but his friends and the Chairman prevented him. He is the only president who was a delegate at his own nominating convention.
 11. d. Julian Bond withdrew because he knew he was too young.
 12. a. Ike was not overly fond of his VP.
 13. Whistle Stop II: 1. (e) Gerald Ford made this mistake on national television. 2. (d) Richard Nixon used his children's dog to emotionally defend on TV what opponents termed his political slush fund. 3. (a) Roosevelt's "hat in the ring" phrase has become standard political phraseology. 4 (c) Bryan's "cross of gold" speech and his campaigns based on free silver made him famous. 5 (b).
 14. b. Wilkie campaigned so hard that he sometimes became groggy or lost his voice. In this case, he forgot what town he was in.
 15. d. Johnson, as vice-president, not only lived with a slave, but insisted on bringing her to social functions.
 16. a. Kefauver had inadvertently crossed the state line as he campaigned from small town to small town.
 17. b. "Bloviate" is defined as "to orate verbosely and windily." In Ohio, locals used it to mean goofing off.
 18. a. Grant was no speaker, but fortunately for him, a president didn't have to be in his day.
 19. b. An assassin's bullet, deflected by a metal eyeglass case and a folded speech, lodged in TR's chest. He insisted on making the speech anyway.
 20. b. In the pre-TV era, Buchanan's appearance wasn't much of a drawback. It was Grover Cleveland's admission of fathering an illegitimate child that inspired the insulting ditty in (d).

50 EYEBALL BENDERS

1. Baby powder
2. Rat trap
3. Pineapple
4. Crayons
5. Leaf
6. Football helmet
7. Onion

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27 CROTHWORD



25 WIN OR LOSE



27 THE PERSONAL SCOOP

1. Lemon
2. Banana
3. Marshmallow
4. Chocolate
5. Blackberry
6. Butterscotch
7. Strawberry
8. French vanilla
9. Neapolitan
10. Rocky Road
11. Pineapple
12. Butter almond
13. Peppermint
14. Fudge ripple

34 PUZZLE PLAYGROUND

Fractured Phrases

1. Low man on the totem pole
2. Ignorance is bliss
3. "Call Me Irresponsible"
4. All hands on deck
5. No charge for alterations
6. Full speed ahead
7. The Pony Express
8. Just in the nick of time
9. The Greatest Show on Earth
10. Dead men tell no tales
11. "Rock-a-bye baby, in a tree top"
12. Two's company, three's a crowd
13. Snap, crackle, and pop
14. As a matter of fact
15. "A Bicycle Built for Two"

Matched Pairs

1. Cot and hold (hot and cold)
2. Sues and shocks (shoes and socks)
3. Toot and sigh (suit and tie)
4. Key and toffee (tea and coffee)
5. Crook and nanny (nook and cranny)
6. Dill and hail (hill and dale)
7. Writ and Hun (hit and run)
8. Bin and scones (skin and bones)
9. Custard and match-up (mustard and catsup)
10. Punt and heck (hunt and peck)

Checkerboard Squares



The seven diagonals spell: MG, Saab, Nissan, Plymouth, Toyota, Ford, and VW.

Word Addition

1. Rig, prig, sprig, spring, sparing, sparkling, sparkling (6)
2. Tap, tape, taped, tamped, stamped, stampede, stampeded (6)
3. Oral, coral, choral, chorale (3)
4. Over, cover, covert, convert (3)
5. Past, paste, paster, plaster, pilaster (4)

Trivia Ping-Pong

1. Beet, carrot, celery, lettuce, parsley, spinach, tomato, watercress
2. Belize, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, Mozambique, New Zealand, Swaziland, Switzerland, Tanzania, Venezuela, Zaire, Zambia, and Zimbabwe

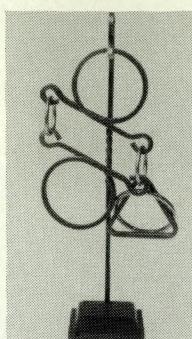
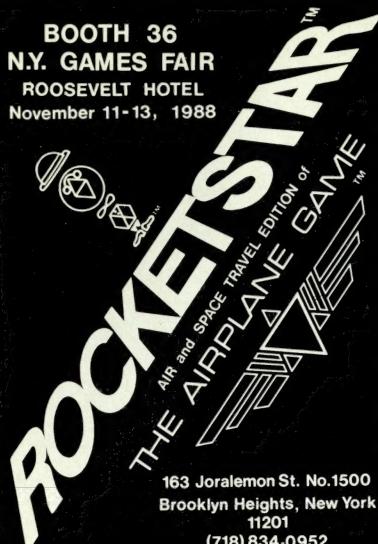
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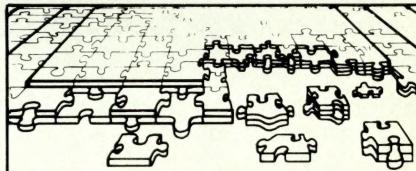
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Once you have all the values for a through h, substitute them into the equation above, perform the arithmetic, and solve for X. Hint: The answer has something to do with a popular Seagram product.

- a = The number of times the letter A appears.
- b = The number of balloons that are yellow.
- c = The number of separate red regions in the crown on top of the large red 7.
- d = The fraction of doors that do not have a newspaper in front of them.
- e = The number of times the letter E appears.
- f = The floor the party seems to be on.
- g = The total number of times that "7" and "Seven" appear.
- h = The number of high-heeled shoes.

ANSWER

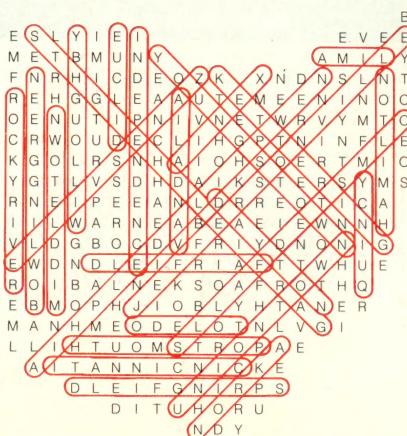
- h = 1
- g = 3
- f = 14 (from the "14C" in the headline)
- e = 6
- d = 1/3
- b = 2
- c = 7 (including the As on the door of four small red rectangles)
- a = 9 (including the As on the door of apartment A and in the word "Party")
- g = 9 (including the As on the door of apartment A and in the word "Party")
- The value of X is 7, as in Seagram's Seven Crows. The values of the other unknowns are as follows:

23 PATHFINDER



- 1E TRAILBLAZER
- 2W PARTY
- 3W SMILE
- 4N PARE
- 5S BOUTIQUE
- 6E BLIMP
- 7N SPAS
- 8W USER
- 9W SOBER
- 10N HITS
- 11S LAWSUIT
- 12S TIME ZONE
- 13N ZESTY
- 14S DESI
- 15W ADZE
- 16S MANACLED
- 17N SWAHILI
- 18S CADET
- 19S JUNIPER
- 19W JACQUES
- 20S I LOVE YOU
- 21N EDNA
- 22S UNITE
- 23N VERSE
- 24E NIMOY
- 25N MILIEU
- 26N VOLCANO
- 27N DONE
- 28S PERON
- 29N PRINT
- 30W UPRIVER

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ANSWERS

39 THINGAMAJIGS

1. Putting matching socks in this wheel keeps them together in the wash.
2. This bottle-cap opener also comes with a side slot for opening flip-top cans.
3. This plastic spike anchors towels to the beach on a windy day (the towel is held in its teeth and the point goes into the sand).
4. This removable handle is fitted around beer and soda cans to convert them into mugs.
5. Made of special reflective material, this belt (it opens and closes like an adjustable car seatbelt) is for joggers to wear at night.
6. This toothbrush simultaneously brushes both sides of the teeth.
7. By hooking the loops of metal hangers onto the rope, this device allows you comfortably to carry home plenty of shirts from the cleaners.
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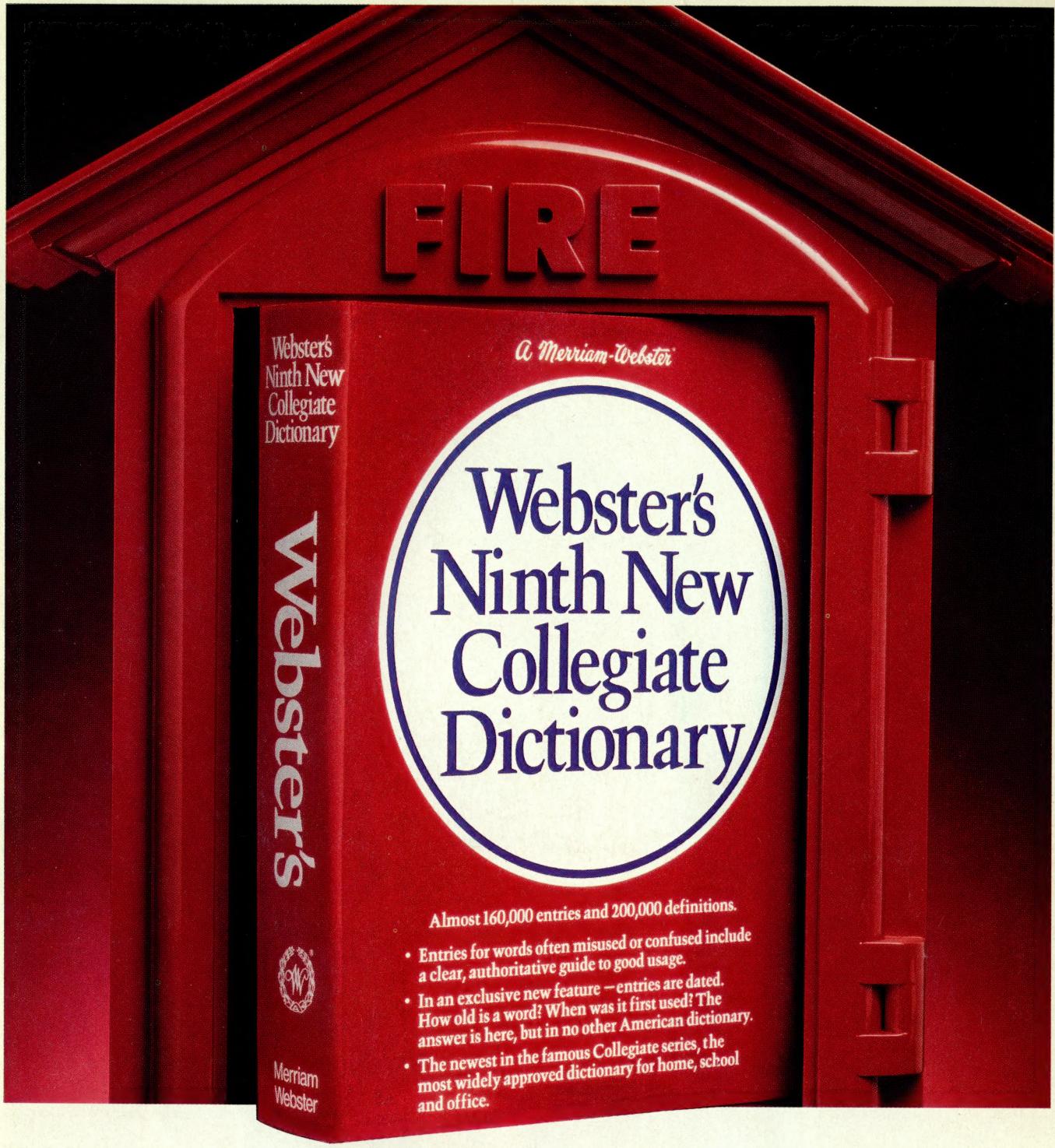
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